



# City of Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan Revision 2015-2025

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**A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE UPDATES TO THE  
PARKS, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE, AND TRAILS MASTER PLAN  
FOR THE CITY OF HUTTO, TEXAS**

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Hutto City Council to improve and enhance the parks and recreational assets of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council desires to provide a recreational and open space park system to meet the community needs into the next decade and beyond; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council wishes to establish the goals, objectives and implementation measures for future components of the City's parks and recreation facilities system.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY  
OF HUTTO, TEXAS,**

that the Hutto City Council hereby approves and adopts the updated Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trails Master Plan:

**RESOLVED** on this the **17th** day of the month of **December, 2015**.

**CITY OF HUTTO, TEXAS**



Debbie Holland, Mayor

**ATTEST:**



Seth Gipson, City Secretary

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# 1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The City of Hutto, Texas prepared the City of Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan Revision 2015-2025 from April 2015 thru October 2015 through efforts of the Hutto City Council, Hutto Parks Advisory Board, City Staff, residents of Hutto and personnel from LUCK Design Team. The Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan reflects a range of issues and levels of planning within the contextual relationships of parks in the community and serves as a guide for the future growth of the City and its parks and recreation system.

We thank the following individuals for their guidance in the development of this plan.

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The City also expresses its thanks to those who participated in the public workshops outlined in this document and to all the residents of Hutto who completed the Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan Revision Survey. Their input was vital in the development of the future guidance this plan offers. We appreciate their time and belief that parks are important to the overall quality of life in Hutto!

## 2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



The City of Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan Revision 2015-2025 serves as the City of Hutto's guide to the growth of its system of parks, trails facilities, programs and services. The City's adopted *2035 Strategic Guide* states numerous policies about providing high quality infrastructure and services for its citizens. The Quality of Life Policy's goals are directly tied to the City of Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan Revision 2015-2025 in preserving green space, encompassing a safe, friendly and entertaining atmosphere and providing a world class parks and recreation system.

The City of Hutto adopted a Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan in 2007 and since that time has utilized the document to oversee the growth of its parks and recreation system. This plan spurred the development of both Fritz Park and Hutto Lake Park among many other park initiatives. Annually, the Parks Advisory Board has reported on the progress of goals and objectives which were outlined in the 2007 document. Seeing a need to update a plan almost nine years old, the City Council sought to update the plan through this revision process in an effort to meet the current and growing community's expectations for its park system.

In March of 2015, the City of Hutto contracted with the park planning firm LUCK Design Team to assist in planning and formulating the City of Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan Revision 2015-2025. As part of the development of this Plan, the City of Hutto wants to ensure City residents and visitors have excellent park, leisure, and recreational experiences.

The design team first met with the Hutto Parks Advisory Board and City Staff to develop a parks and needs assessment survey (see Appendix A) in order to gather citizen input on a variety of issues concerning the City's existing parks system and how it should grow in the future. In April of 2015, the Parks Advisory Board and City Staff developed and distributed the Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan Revision Survey to allow residents to identify and prioritize the highest park needs within the City. Surveys were accessed on the City's website.

As the survey was being conducted, members of the design team also held a public workshop to introduce the master plan revision process and to gather initial input regarding park needs and desires. An outdoor swimming pool, more indoor recreation space, and increasing trails



were prominent themes at this meeting as well as advocacy for a dog park, public tennis courts, and increased recreational opportunities for teens.

Meetings were held with key stakeholders within the community who also play an active role in providing outdoor and indoor recreation opportunities within the community.

These groups included:

- Hutto Youth Soccer
- Hutto Youth Football and Cheer Association
- NYOS (Not Your Ordinary School)
- Hutto Independent School District
- Parks and Recreation Directors from the surrounding cities of Round Rock, Georgetown and Taylor
- Bike Hutto
- YMCA
- Sand Box at Madeline's Place
- For profit businesses Tiger Rock Martial Arts and Cross Fit

These meetings helped establish and benchmark growth trends for the different sports association providers within the community and provided open communication between these varied recreation providers and the City.

City Staff also completed a physical inventory for the entire park system of Hutto during this timeframe, which included documenting park acreage, park classification and the quantity and condition of existing park amenities located in each City-owned park. The City has 220.13 acres of parkland, categorized in the following categories:

Neighborhood Parks -	7.70 acres
Community Parks -	102.63 acres
Greenbelts and Open Space -	109.80 acres

The City received 293 responses to the survey from residents living within the Hutto city limits from April through June of 2015. The needs assessment surveys were compiled in July and the results were tabulated. These have been categorized into high, medium and moderate priorities for both indoor and outdoor recreational facilities (see inset to the right). City parks received satisfactory marks for the physical condition of the parks and for the recreation opportunities available at those parks.

Of the survey responses, 57% answered the City does not currently have enough parkland and 74.80 percent indicated they would support a Bond Election for funds to develop new and existing public



### OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL FACILITY PRIORITIES:

#### High Priorities

- Trails
- Soccer
- Dog Park
- Swimming Pool
- Baseball

#### Medium Priorities

- Splash Pad
- Playground

#### Moderate Priorities

- Amphitheater
- Softball
- Football
- Linear Parks
- Open Play Area
- Tennis Courts
- Veterans Memorial
- Basketball
- Canoeing
- Picnic Areas
- Skate Park
- Fishing
- Golfing
- Camping
- Natural Areas
- Sand Volleyball
- Botanical Garden Center
- Disc Golf Course
- Fitness Workout Stations
- Birding
- Putting Green



parks and recreation facilities.

The survey responses from the general public and the weighted input of City Staff and the Hutto Parks Advisory Board determined the park facility priorities, which were presented to City leadership at the City's Growth Guidance Committee meeting. These same park priorities were presented to the general public at an August 31, 2015, meeting in which residents in attendance concurred with the priorities as noted. High on the priorities list was the need for trails, an outdoor swimming pool, a recreation/activity center and more green space for sports activities.

#### INDOOR RECREATIONAL FACILITY PRIORITIES:

##### High Priorities

- Community Recreation Center
- Senior Center
- Indoor Gymnastics
- Teen Center

Park acreage and amenity standards were developed with the Parks Advisory Board using a hybrid of the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) standards and City standards to meet the recreational needs of residents and to continue to provide a high level of excellent service as the City's

population grows. Using these amenity standards, guidelines for park acreage and additional facilities were developed for projected populations in the calendar years of 2020 and 2025. These guidelines for acreage included existing parks and undeveloped park land currently owned by the City. Hutto currently has a ratio of 9.83 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents. The City outlined a goal to increase this ratio to 11.50 acres of parkland per 1,000 residents in years 2020 and beyond.



Park Facility Guidelines were prepared with a focus on tripling the amount of trails in the City over the next ten years. The development of an outdoor swimming pool and community recreation center to the City's park inventory, as well as the addition of more sports fields, were also deemed high priorities.

This master plan revision process has created eight goals as listed below:

**GOAL 1:** To plan park facilities meeting the projected population growth with the health, safety and welfare of the community as a primary consideration.

**GOAL 2:** To develop park facilities to serve the existing as well as the impending growth of the City.

**GOAL 3:** To determine potential locations for future parkland.

**GOAL 4:** To preserve adequate open space for the long-term population growth of the City of Hutto.

**GOAL 5:** To maintain park facilities to the high quality standard which the citizens of Hutto expect from their park system through the re-investment of time and monies into existing parks.

**GOAL 6:** To create a viable meeting center at the Saul House and maximize the house and surrounding lands for recreational programming activities by providing interior and exterior improvements for enhanced programming opportunities.

**GOAL 7:** To increase participation in the parks and recreation programs offered by the City of Hutto.

**GOAL 8:** To use parks as an economic development tool for the City of Hutto.

Objectives associated with these goals are directly connected to twenty-three park and recreation projects, including the planning and development of new park facilities, renovation of existing park amenities and the acquisition of future parkland. These projects include:

- A Texas Parks and Wildlife Hike and Bike Trail Grant Application for 1.25 miles of trail improvements
- Additional 1.25 of Miscellaneous Trails to Meet the City's 2020 Goal for trail inventory
- A Sports Complex
- A Dog Park
- An Outdoor Swimming Pool
- An Indoor Recreation Center
- Creekside Park Improvements
- Annual Park Improvements to existing park amenities
- Community Parkland Acquisition
- Splash Pad Improvements
- Improvements to the Saul House and surrounding Saul Property

These projects have an estimated design and construction cost between \$30,000,000 and \$37,000,000 and meet the City of Hutto's immediate needs as well as the immediate and future expectations of basic parks, recreation facilities and services. Each of the projects presented are contained within the overall goals of this master plan and assists the City in determining its Capital Improvement Projects.

The recommended plan compliments and addresses the vision, mission and values of the *2035 Strategic Guide* and the Quality of Life Policy.



### 3. HUTTO IN CONTEXT

#### LOCATION

Hutto is located in Central Texas approximately twenty-three miles northeast of Austin. It resides predominately along Highway 79, east of Round Rock, Texas.

<u>PROXIMITY TO MAJOR METROS</u>	<u>(DISTANCE IN MILES)</u>
Austin	23

<u>NEARBY CITIES</u>	<u>(DISTANCE IN MILES)</u>
Taylor	8
Round Rock	9
Pflugerville	10
Georgetown	13
Temple	49



#### ESTABLISHMENT OF HUTTO<sup>1</sup>

In 1876, the town of Hutto was established when the International and Great Northern Railroad was built three miles north of Shiloh.

The small farming community of Shiloh was near the crossroads of CR 135 and CR 139 on the north side of Brushy Creek. The McCutcheon-Shiloh Cemetery is all which remains of the once-thriving town.

In 1848, the year of Williamson County's founding, Nelson Morey and Josiah Taylor both opened stores in Shiloh. There was a school and a church. Residents included the well-known Juvenal, Kuykendall, Stearns, Smalley, Swindoll, and Wilbarger families. A log house stood nearby, built by Adam Orgain, a black man born a slave in 1835.

While constructing the International and Great Northern Railroad, the railroad company also purchased five acres of land for a designated station stop. This created the town of Hutto, which was named after James Emory Hutto, who was born June 8, 1824, in Alabama. Hutto made his way to Texas in 1847 at the age of 23 and served in the Confederate Army for three years.

When the Hutto post office opened on June 27, 1877, officials appointed James E. Hutto postmaster. He became one of the most prosperous cattlemen in the county. He and his wife, Margaret Hughes, also from Alabama, raised eight children. In 1885 they moved to Waco, where James operated a very successful hardware business.

The eldest son of James E. and Margaret Hutto was John R. Hutto, who operated the Hutto gin and farmed. The second son, James E. Hutto, followed in his father's footsteps and became a very successful cattleman and later, cotton farmer. Other sons – William T., Charles W., and Robert B. – were prosperous in both the cattle and cotton industries.

## THE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT<sup>2</sup>

Physical Land Form - Hutto's terrain is generally flat except in areas close to creek corridors which transition to a slightly rolling terrain. The soil in Hutto consists of fertile blackland prairie soil-a great soil for agriculture purposes.

Floodplains and Creek Corridors - Brushy Creek is the largest watercourse in Hutto and bisects Hutto west to east in the southern half of Hutto. It drains water from the other major watercourse, Cottonwood Creek, in the southeast sector of the city. Cottonwood Creek is most known for the "hippo escape" in 1915. In addition to serving as scenic and environmental-interest resources, the creeks and their flood plains serve as potential routes for hiking, walking, nature observation, school access, bicycling, and employment and civic facility access. The remaining creeks, Mustang Creek, Pecan Creek Branch, and McNutt Creek are either minor in size or are limited in the amount of corridor located in Hutto's Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ). These creek corridors still have the potential to be used for connectivity, but are not considered major corridors in Hutto.

Lakes - Three broad lakes can be found in Hutto's ETJ, each of which was created by earthen dam construction by the U.S. Soil Conservation Service. All three of these lakes are under the regulation of the Upper Brushy Creek Water Control Improvement District, which oversees all lake shore easements, dams, and spillways. These lakes are:

- Avery Lake (W.C.I.D. Dam #18), just west of SH 130 and north of Highway 79, 177 acre feet storage capacity
- Hutto Lake (W.C.I.D. Dam #20), just east of FM 685 and south of Brushy Creek, 81 acre feet storage capacity
- CR 137 Lake (W.C.I.D. Dam #21), just west of CR 137 and south of Brushy Creek, 79 acre feet storage capacity. There are also several small lakes/ponds just south of this lake.



Other Recreational Lands - The former Hutto Co-op site, a 14.25 acre site in the center of town, offers a great central location with significant historical/cultural value. This site is currently undeveloped for any recreational or cultural purposes, but still has the old silos and warehouses standing, at this time.

## POPULATION DYNAMICS

Census data indicates a population growth from 650 residents in 1990 to 1,250 in 2000 to over 14,000 in 2010. The City of Hutto is home to a very young population demographic but also has 45% of its households with no children in the home. Both of these factors bear heavily into the parks planning process. The next two pages document the City of Hutto's population and demographic breakdown of the 2010 U.S. Census.

## CITY OF HUTTO- 2010 DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE DATA

TOTAL POPULATION<sup>2</sup>: 14,698

### AGE<sup>3</sup>

Median Age: 28.9 years old

Under 5 years	1,670	11.4%
5 to 9 years	1,624	11.0%
10 to 14 years	1,435	9.8%
15 to 19 years	956	6.5%
20 to 24 years	642	4.4%
25 to 29 years	1,420	9.7%
30 to 34 years	1,792	12.2%
35 to 39 years	1,525	10.4%
40 to 44 years	1,095	7.4%
45 to 49 years	766	5.2%
50 to 54 years	567	3.9%
55 to 59 years	409	2.8%
60 to 64 years	330	2.2%
65 to 69 years	209	1.4%
70 to 74 years	13	0.8%
75 to 79 years	70	0.5%
80 to 84 years	50	0.3%
85 years and older	25	0.2%



### GENDER<sup>3</sup>

Males:	7,114	48.4%
Females:	7,584	51.6%

### RACE<sup>3</sup>

Total Population	14,698	
Hispanic/Latino	4,534	30.8%
Mexican	3,800	25.9%
Puerto Rican	157	1.1%
Cuban	70	0.5%
Other Hispanic	507	3.4%
Not Hispanic/Latino	10,164	69.2%
White Alone	7,553	51.4%
Black or African	1,997	13.6%
American Alone		
American Indian/ Alaska Native Alone	41	0.3%
Asian Alone	190	1.3%
Native Hawaiian Alone	9	0.1%
Some Other Race Alone	21	0.1%
Two or more Races	353	2.4%

<u>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS<sup>3</sup></u>	4,560	
Households with individuals under 18	2,482	54.4%
Households with individuals 65 years+	358	7.9%
Average Household Size	3.22	

<u>HOUSING TENURE<sup>3</sup></u>		
Owner- Occupied Housing Units	3,692	81.0%
Renter- Occupied Housing Units	868	19.0%

#### SOURCE:

1. <http://www.huttotx.gov/index.aspx?NID=207>; retrieved 09.28.15
2. 2006 City of Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trails Master Plan; <http://www.huttotx.gov/DocumentCenter/Home/View/59>; retrieved 09.28.15
3. U.S. Census, 2010 Census; <http://factfinder.census.gov/faces/tableservices/jsf/pages/productview.xhtml?src=CF>; retrieved 09.28.15

#### POPULATION ESTIMATES

Since the demographic data represented above is from the 2010 census data, this plan utilized population estimates for the years 2015, 2020 and 2025. These estimates are based on estimates from the City of Hutto Development Services.

The current 2015 estimated population for the City of Hutto is 22,371.

Using an average of 300 building permits issued a year as a basis for projecting future growth, the population estimate for 2020 is 26,678 residents and 30,854 citizens within the City of Hutto in 2025.

These population forecasts are utilized for the City of Hutto Acreage Guidelines and the City of Hutto Park Facility Guidelines indicated on pages 47 and 48 of this document.





## 4. GOALS OF THE PARKS, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE & TRAILS MASTER PLAN

The goals for the Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan Revision 2015-2025 (stated below) were developed by the City of Hutto Parks Advisory Board. The Board agreed these goals are paramount to the vision of the Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan Revision 2015-2025, laying the groundwork for park development and expansion in the future.

Each goal is accompanied by corresponding objectives that are directly referenced to “Section 8. Parks and Facility Needs Implementation Plan”. These objectives look to provide action items by listing specific projects and completion horizons to ensure that the goals of the Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan Revision 2015-2025 are met. Fiscal years for the projected completion of each objective is designated in parenthesis. These objectives will serve to give City leadership and staff direction in the growth of the highest park and facility needs in the future

These goals include:

**GOAL 1:**      To PLAN PARK FACILITIES MEETING THE PROJECTED POPULATION GROWTH WITH THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY AS A PRIMARY CONSIDERATION.

Objective 1.1- Master plan and design of 1.25 miles of trail as part of a Texas Parks and Wildlife Hike & Bike Trail Application (FY2016).

Objective 1.2- Master plan and design a Sports Complex to include baseball/ soccer fields and community park amenities (FY2016).

Objective 1.3- Master plan and design a Dog Park (FY2016).

Objective 1.4- Conduct a master plan and feasibility study for an Outdoor Swimming Pool with Restrooms/Parking (FY2016).

Objective 1.5- Conduct a master plan and feasibility study for an Indoor Recreation Center to include programming for teens/seniors/community residents (FY2016).

Objective 1.6- Prepare construction documents for Creekside Park Improvements to include ball field and parking area improvements (FY2018).

Objective 1.7- Prepare construction documents for Splash Pad Improvements to include parking area and restrooms (FY2019).

**GOAL 2:**      **TO DEVELOP PARK FACILITIES TO SERVE THE EXISTING AS WELL AS THE IMPENDING GROWTH OF THE CITY.**

Objective 2.1- Construction of 1.25 miles of trail as part of a Texas Parks and Wildlife Hike & Bike Trail Application (FY2017).

Objective 2.2- Construction of 1.75 miles of trail (in addition to the trail amount stated in Objective 2.1) to meet the City's desire to add a total of 3 miles of trail to the trail system by Year 2020 (FY2020).

Objective 2.3- Construction of a Sports Complex to include baseball/soccer fields and community park amenities (FY2017).

Objective 2.4- Construction of a Dog Park (FY2017).

Objective 2.5- Construction of an Outdoor Swimming Pool with Restrooms / Parking (FY2019).

Objective 2.6- Construction of an Indoor Recreation Center to include programming for teens/seniors/community residents (FY2019).

Objective 2.7- Construction of Creekside Park Improvements to include ball field and parking area improvements (FY2019).

Objective 2.8- Construction of Splash Pad Improvements to include parking area and restrooms (FY2020).

**GOAL 3:**      **TO DETERMINE POTENTIAL LOCATIONS FOR FUTURE PARKLAND.**

Objective 3.1- Locate acreage for a Sports Complex (FY2016).

Objective 3.2- Locate acreage for an Indoor Recreation Center (FY2016).

**GOAL 4:**      **TO PRESERVE ADEQUATE OPEN SPACE FOR THE LONG-TERM POPULATION GROWTH OF THE CITY OF HUTTO.**

Objective 4.1- Acquire 60 acres for a Sports Complex (FY2016).

Objective 4.2- Acquire 60 acres (in addition to the 60-acres mentioned above in Objective 4.1) for a for Community Parkland (FY2018).

**GOAL 5:** TO MAINTAIN PARK FACILITIES TO THE HIGH QUALITY STANDARD WHICH THE CITIZENS OF HUTTO EXPECT FROM THEIR PARK SYSTEM THROUGH THE RE-INVESTMENT OF TIME AND MONIES INTO EXISTING PARKS.

Objective 5.1- Establish and dedicate an annual fund for park amenity improvements and upgrades (FY2017 and beyond).

**GOAL 6:** TO CREATE A VIABLE MEETING CENTER AT THE SAUL HOUSE AND MAXIMIZE THE HOUSE AND SURROUNDING LANDS FOR RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMING ACTIVITIES BY PROVIDING INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS FOR ENHANCED PROGRAMMING OPPORTUNITIES.

Objective 6.1- Develop an amenity and recreational program and complete a master plan for the Saul House property (FY2016).

Objective 6.2- Construct and develop amenity improvements and for the Saul House property based on the developed master plan programming (FY2018).

**GOAL 7:** TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION IN THE PARKS AND RECREATION PROGRAMS OFFERED BY THE CITY HUTTO.

Objective 7.1- Promote and market the many existing recreational facilities and opportunities available within the City.

**GOAL 8:** TO USE PARKS AS AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TOOL FOR THE CITY OF HUTTO.

Objective 8.1- Develop a sports complex to attract regional tournaments and in turn increase indirect sales tax and hotel/motel occupancy tax revenue within the City (FY2019).

Objective 8.2- Develop an Indoor Recreation Center to provide more quality of life amenities within the City (FY2019).



## 5. INVENTORY

To project future park and recreation needs for the City of Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan Revision 2015-2025, an accurate inventory and assessment of existing parklands has been divided into the following three categories:

### DEVELOPED PARKLAND

This category includes all park facilities recognized as public parks by the City of Hutto and have a developed park infrastructure. They are classified into three potential classifications.

- [Neighborhood Park](#). The neighborhood park remains the basic unit of the park system and serves as the recreational and social focus of the neighborhood. Focus is on informal active and passive recreation. It is typically one-quarter to one-half (1/4 to 1/2) mile distance from all areas it serves and uninterrupted by nonresidential roads and other difficult barriers. The site should be accessible from throughout its service area by way of interconnecting sidewalks. The minimum size is three (3) acres, with five to ten (5 to 10) being optimal. The shape of the parkland shall be conducive to meeting its purpose as a neighborhood park. There should be sufficient on-street parking, lighting for night safety and appropriate utilities to serve its users. Desirable views into and out of the park should have a unique character or experience and provide visibility of all recreational elements and facilities for security purposes.
- [Community Park](#). The community park usually serves a broader purpose than other types of parks. The main focus is on meeting community-based recreation needs, as well as preserving unique landscapes and open spaces. The location of such parks is determined by the quality and suitability of the site. The community park usually serves two or more neighborhoods and serves an area within (2) two miles of its location. The community park is sized to meet its needs and is normally between thirty to one hundred (30 to 100) acres.
- [Greenbelts and Open Space](#). Certain lands within the city and its ETJ may be significant natural resources, such as land along Brushy Creek, remnant landscapes, open space and visual aesthetics. Such areas should become natural open space areas. The location and size are dependent upon the relative land and its location.

Documented on pages 17-27, the Existing Park Inventory includes all designated and developed parkland owned by the City of Hutto. Each inventory includes the location of the park, acreage, existing park classification, and the recreational facilities located in each park.

### UNDEVELOPED LAND OWNED BY THE CITY OF HUTTO

The second parkland inventory category involves land owned by the City of Hutto undeveloped as of yet for recreational purposes but is officially designated as “parkland” by the City. There is currently no undeveloped parkland located within the City although much of the Greenbelt and Open Space lands are subject to more park development and expansion.

### RECREATIONAL AMENITIES WHICH ARE A PART OF LOCAL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICTS

This category includes park and recreation amenities associated with local Independent School Districts. Although not owned, operated or maintained by the City of Hutto, these facilities do serve



the residents of Hutto and should be noted. Currently, the Hutto Independent School District is the only ISD servicing the area within the City limits. The table below documents the district schools, their locations and recreational facilities.

[Hutto Independent School District](#)

<u>Name of School</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Type of School</u>	<u>Recreational Facilities at School</u>
Cottonwood Creek Elementary School	3160 Limmer Loop	Elementary School Pre-K thru 5th	(2) Playgrounds (2) Four Square Courts
Hutto Elementary School	100 Mager Lane	Elementary School Pre-K thru 5th	(1) Playground
Nadine Johnson Elementary School	480 Carl Stern Drive	Elementary School Pre-K thru 5th	(1) Playground
Ray Elementary School	225 Swindoll Lane	Elementary School Pre-K thru 5th	(1) Playground (2) Four Square Courts
Veterans' Hill Elementary School	555 Limmer Loop	Elementary School Pre-K thru 5th	(2) Playgrounds
Farley Middle School	303 CR 137	Middle School 6th thru 8th	(1) Football Field (1) Track (1) Playground
Hutto Middle School	1005 Exchange Blvd.	Middle School 6th thru 8th	(1) Football Field (1) Track (1) Playground
River Horse Academy	302 College	Middle School & High School 6th thru 12th	
Hutto High School	101 FM 685	High School 9th thru 12th	(1) Football Field - Game (2) Football Field - Practice (1) Baseball Field (1) Softball Field (8) Tennis Courts

# BRUSHY CREEK GREENBELT

## ENCLAVE AND CARMEL CREEK SUBDIVISIONS



EXISTING AMENITIES	QUANTITY	CONDITION			ACCESSIBILITY
		GOOD	FAIR	REPLACE	
Trails	.5 Miles		.5 Miles		Y

Acreage: 45.18 ACRES

Current Classification: GREENBELT

# COTTONWOOD CREEK GREENBELT

## CREEK BEND SUBDIVISION



EXISTING AMENITIES	QUANTITY		CONDITION			ACCESSIBILITY
			GOOD	FAIR	REPLACE	
Trails	.56 Miles			.56 Miles		Y

Acreage: 18.00 ACRES

Current Classification: GREENBELT

# COUNTRY ESTATES PARK

514 S. PAULEY



EXISTING AMENITIES	QUANTITY		CONDITION			ACCESSIBILITY
			GOOD	FAIR	REPLACE	
Pavilion	1		1			Y
Picnic Tables	4		4			Y
Benches	2		2			Y
Basketball (1/2 Court)	0.5		0.5			Y
Playground	2		2			Y

Acreage: 1.43 ACRES

Current Classification: NEIGHBORHOOD PARK



# COUNTRY ESTATES POND

106 ERIN COVE



EXISTING AMENITIES	QUANTITY		CONDITION			ACCESSIBILITY
			GOOD	FAIR	REPLACE	
Natural Area	1		1			N

Acreage: 5.77 ACRES

Current Classification: NEIGHBORHOOD PARK

# CREEKSIDE PARK

305 ORCHARD WAY



EXISTING AMENITIES	QUANTITY	CONDITION			ACCESSIBILITY
		GOOD	FAIR	REPLACE	
Backstops	3	3			Y
Playground	2	2			Y
Pavilion	2	2			Y
Picnic Tables	10	10	3		Y
Grills	5	5			Y
Benches	2	2			Y
Natural Areas	1	1			Y
Trails	1.5 Miles	1.5 Miles			Y

Acreage: 30.11 ACRES

Current Classification: COMMUNITY PARK

# FRITZ PARK

400 PARK STREET



EXISTING AMENITIES	QUANTITY		CONDITION			ACCESSIBILITY
			GOOD	FAIR	REPLACE	
Basketball Court (Full)	1		1			Y
Football	1		1			Y
Sand Volleyball	2		1			Y
Playground	2		1			Y
Trail	1.00 Mile		1.00 Mile			Y
Pavilion	2		2			Y
Picnic Tables	25		22	3		Y
Grills	6		6			Y
Benches	4		4			Y
Natural Areas	1		1			Y

Acreage: 33.03 ACRES

Current Classification: COMMUNITY PARK

# GLENWOOD SPLASH PAD

101 FISHBAUGH LANE



EXISTING AMENITIES	QUANTITY		CONDITION			ACCESSIBILITY
			GOOD	FAIR	REPLACE	
Splash pad - 25' Diameter	1		1			Y
Pavilion (Soft Canopy)	1		1			Y

Acreage: 0.50 ACRES

Current Classification: NEIGHBORHOOD PARK



# HUTTO LAKE PARK

805 ESTATE DRIVE



EXISTING AMENITIES	QUANTITY		CONDITION			ACCESSIBILITY
			GOOD	FAIR	REPLACE	
Pond	1		1			N
Natural Areas	1		1			Y
Playground	1		1			Y
Pavilion	1		1			Y
Tables	10		10			Y
Grills	3		3			Y
Floating Docks	1		1			Y
Interpretive Station	1		1			Y
Basketball Court	1		1			Y
Trails	1.25 Miles		1.25 miles			Y
Birdviewing Area	1		1			Y

Acreage: 39.49 ACRES

Current Classification: COMMUNITY PARK

# SAUL HOUSE

10700 S. FM 1660



EXISTING AMENITIES	QUANTITY	CONDITION			ACCESSIBILITY
		GOOD	FAIR	REPLACE	
Pole Barn	1	1			N
Gaga Ball Pit	1	1			N
Natural Areas	1	1			N

Acreage: 10.00 ACRES

Current Classification: GREENBELT

# SOUTH GREENBELT

## PARK AT BRUSHY CREEK AND RIVERWALK SUBDIVISIONS



EXISTING AMENITIES	QUANTITY		CONDITION			ACCESSIBILITY
			GOOD	FAIR	REPLACE	
Open Space	1		1			N/A
Trails	.2 Miles		.2 Miles			Y

Acreage: 36.62 ACRES

Current Classification: GREENBELT



## City of Hutto Recreational Amenities Table

Park Facility Name	Acres	Park Classification	Amphitheaters	Baseball Fields	Basketball Courts	BBQ Grills	Benches	Boardwalks / Piers	BMX Track	Concession Buildings	Disc Golf Courses	Exercise Stations	Fishing Decks	Football Fields
Brushy Creek Greenbelt	45.18	G												
Cottonwood Creek Greenbelt	18.00	G												
Country Estates Park	1.43	N			0.5		2							
Country Estates Pond	5.77	N												
Creeside Park	30.11	C				5	2							
Fritz Park	33.03	C		3	1	6	4							1
Glenwood Splash Pad	0.50	N												
Hutto Lake Park	39.49	C			1	3							1	
Saul House (Creek ) Frontage	10.00	G												
South Greenbelt (Brushy Creek)	36.62	G												
<b>Total</b>	<b>220.13</b>		<b>0.00</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
		N=Neighborhood												
		C=Community												
		G= Greenbelt												

## City of Hutto Recreational Amenities Table

Park Facility Name	Golf Course	Gymnasiums	Lake Recreation	Meeting Rooms	Multi-Purpose Fields	Pavilions	Picnic Tables	Playgrounds	Skate parks	Soccer Fields	Softball Fields	Splash Pads	Swimming Pools	Tennis Courts	Trails (in Miles)	Volleyball
Brushy Creek Greenbelt															0.50	
Cottonwood Creek Greenbelt															0.56	
Country Estates Park						1	4	2								
Country Estates Pond																
Creeside Park							10	2							1.50	
Fritz Park						1	25	2							1.00	1
Glenwood Splash Pad						1						1				
Hutto Lake Park						1	10	1							1.25	
Saul House (Creek ) Frontage																
South Greenbelt (Brushy Creek)																
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4.81</b>	<b>1</b>

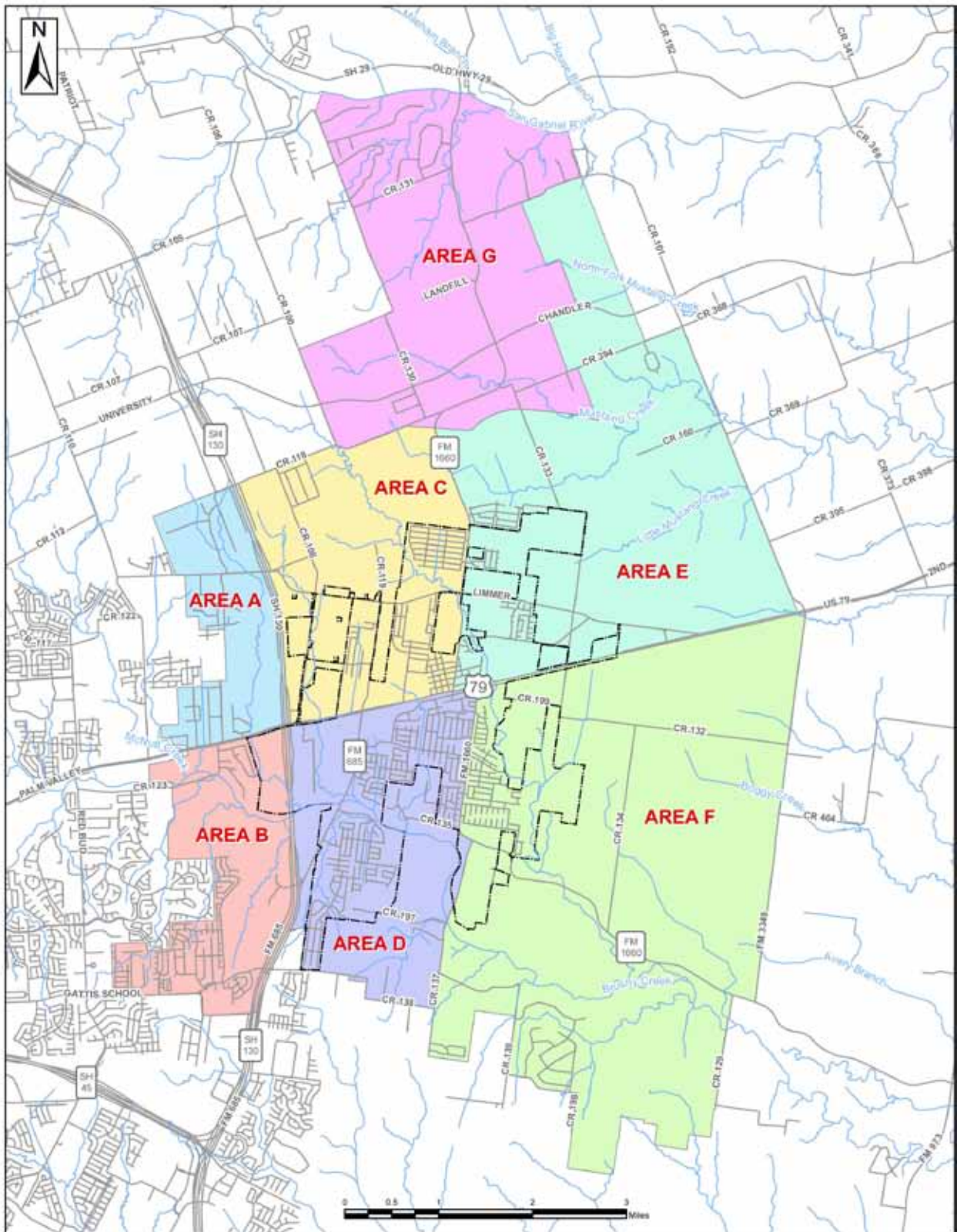


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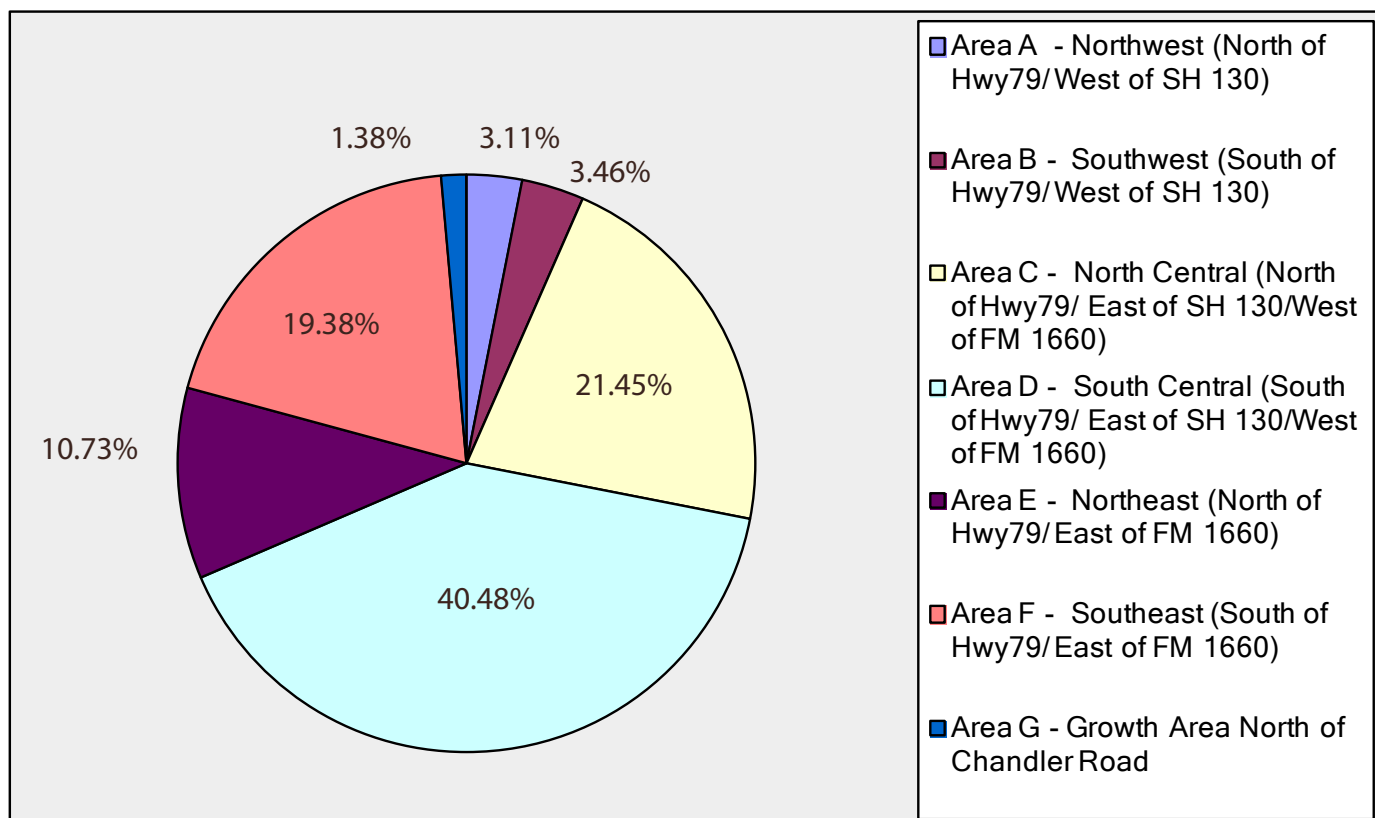
## 6. NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND IDENTIFICATION

From April thru June of 2015, the City conducted the Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan Revision Survey. Through mail and web-based responses, the City received 293 completed surveys. Individual survey questions and results are provided on the following pages. Public responses from the survey captured citizen input regarding the general growth and direction they would like to see for the City's park and recreation system and assisted the City in identifying its High, Medium and Low park priorities. A copy of the survey is included as Appendix A on page 55, and answers to the open ended questions asked in Questions 10 and 11 are also included as Appendix B on page 65 and Appendix C on page 70 . All other survey results are indicated on the following pages:

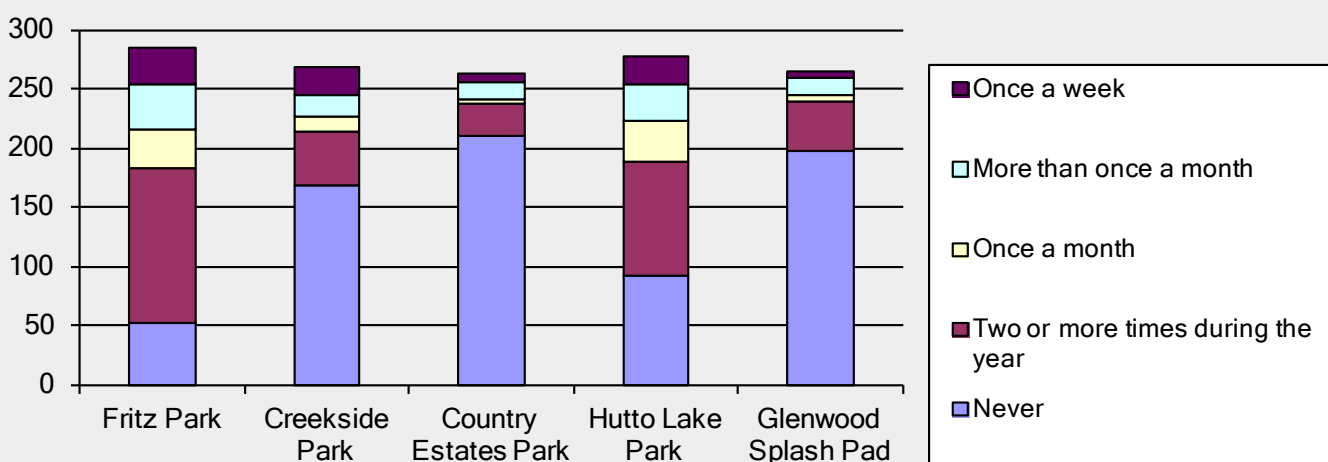
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**1) Which area of the City do you live in? (Indicate only one answer.)**

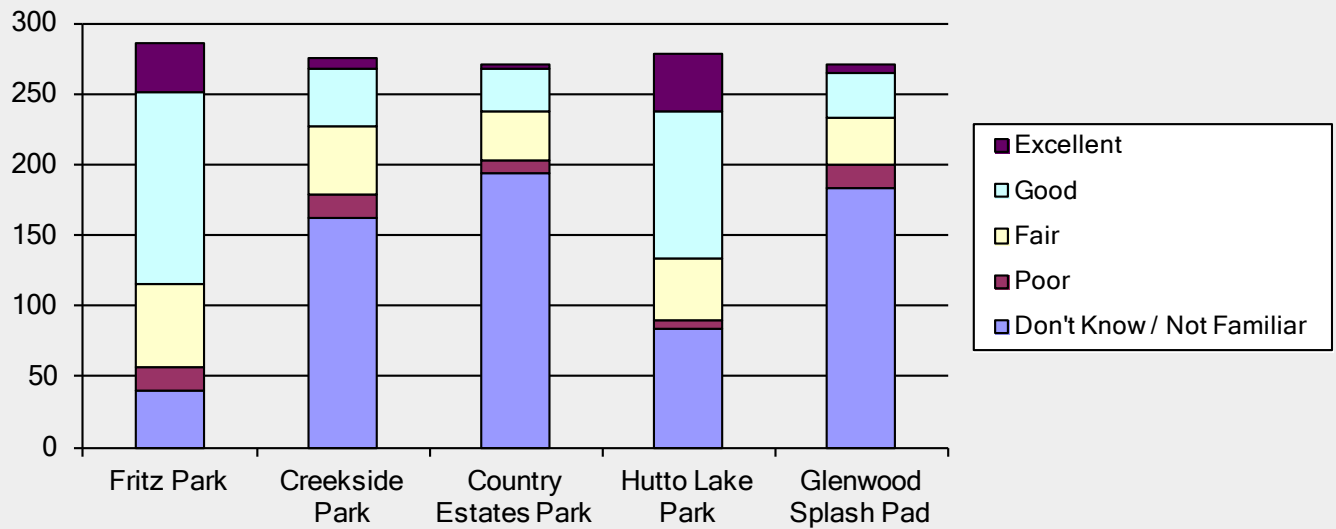


**2) How often have you or members of your household visited the City parks listed below or used recreation facilities in Hutto in the last year?**

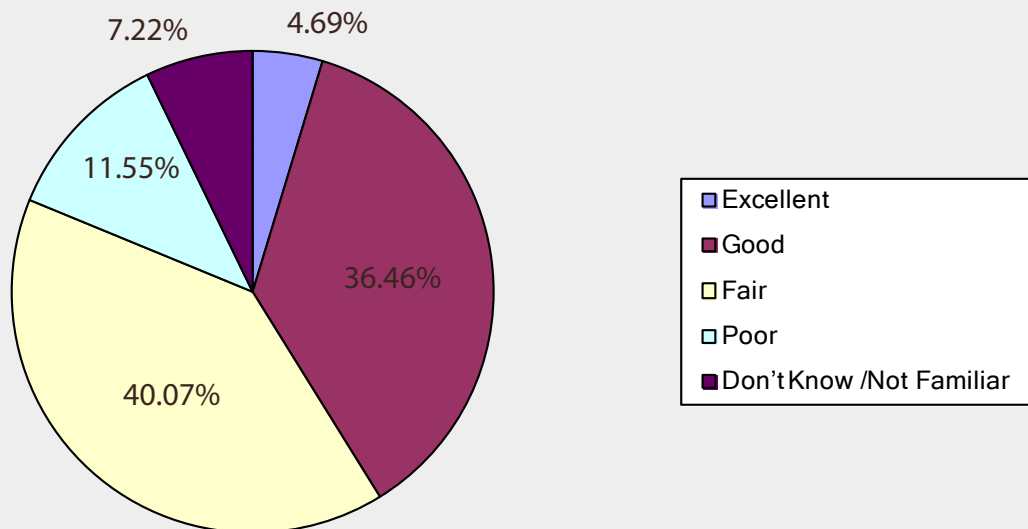




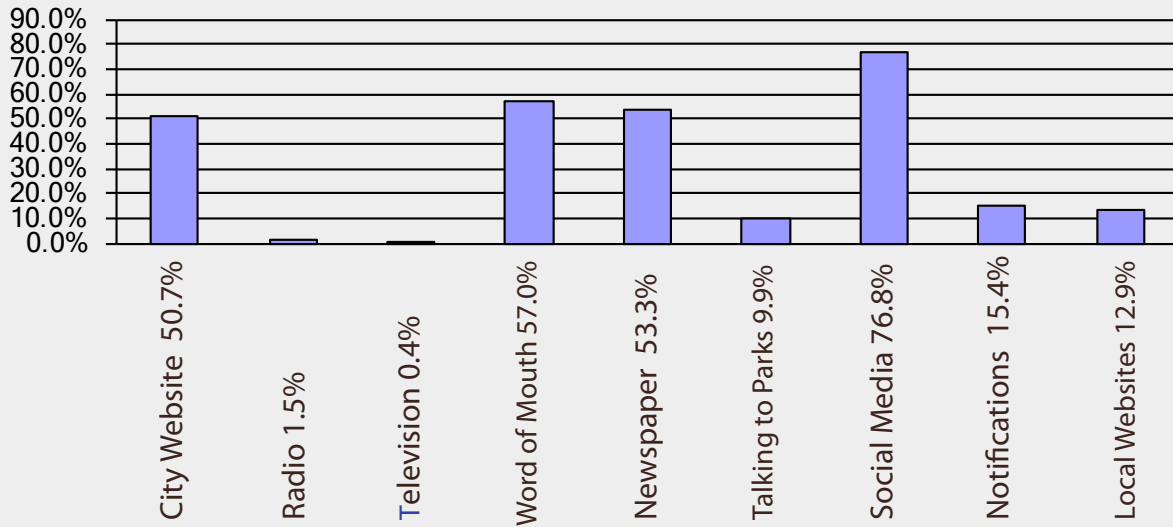
### 3) How would you rate the physical condition of the parks in Hutto?



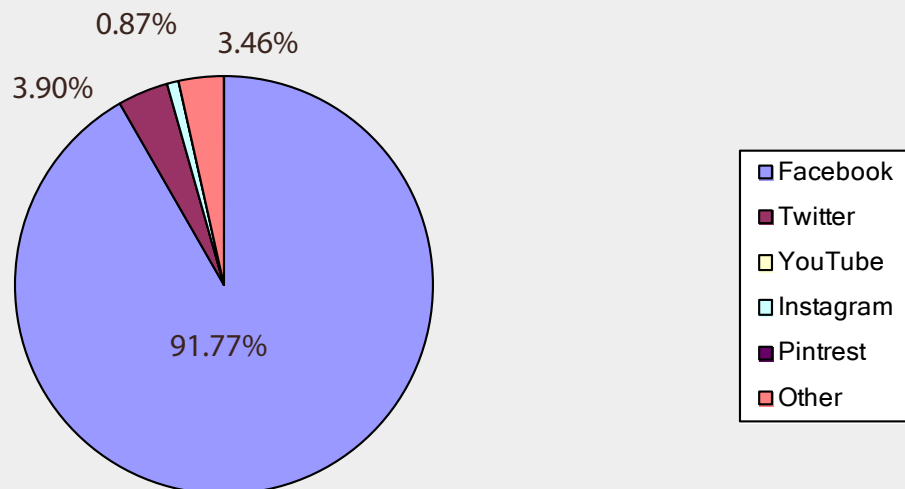
### 4) Overall, how would you rate the City of Hutto parks and recreation opportunities?



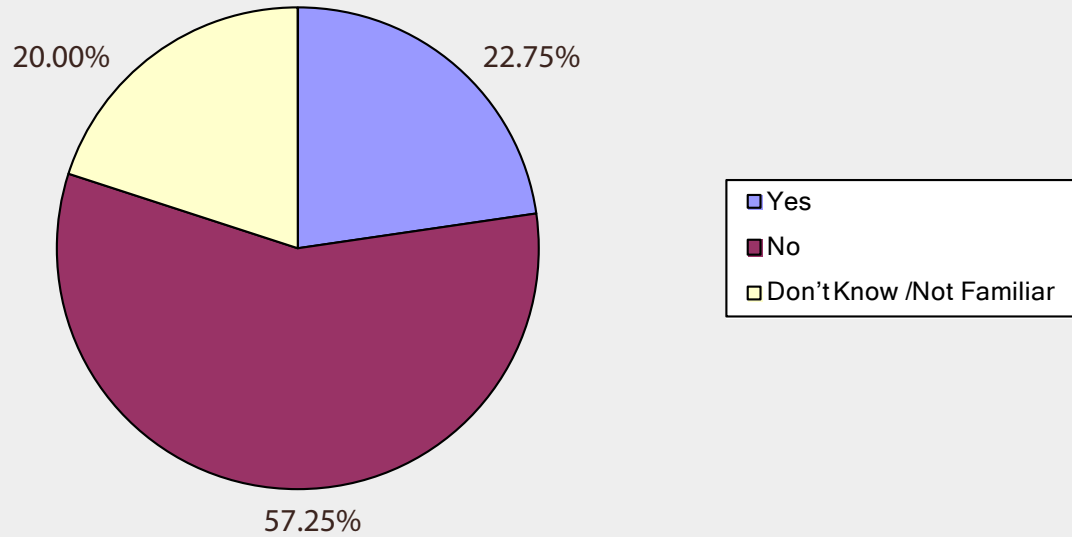
**5) From the list below, please mark the top four ways you learn about parks and recreation activities offered in Hutto? (Indicate only four answers.)**



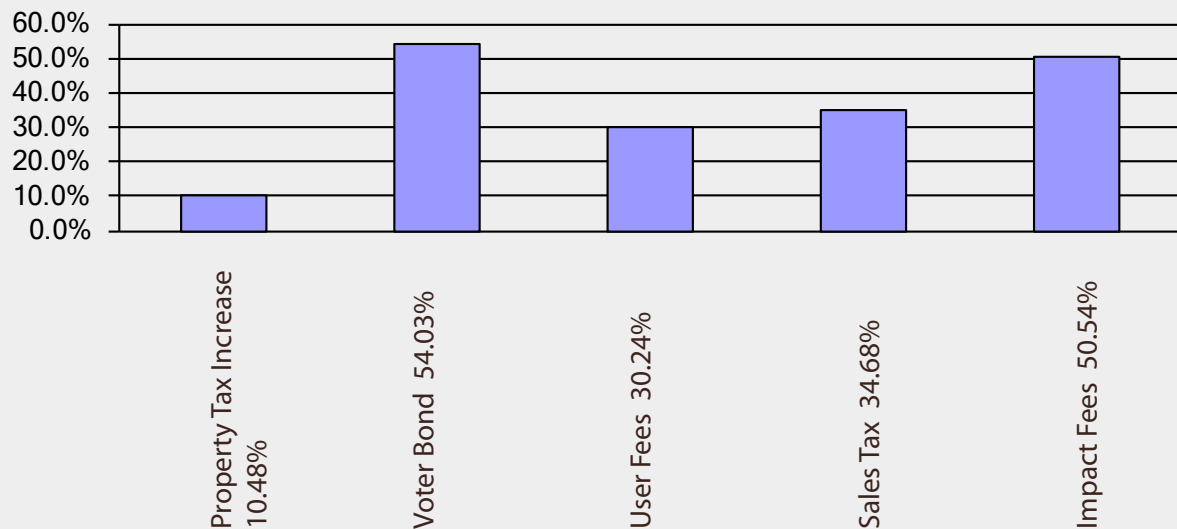
**6) If you selected “social media” in Question 5 as one of the top four ways you learn about parks and recreation activities offered by the City of Hutto, which social media platform do you prefer? (Indicate only one answer.)**



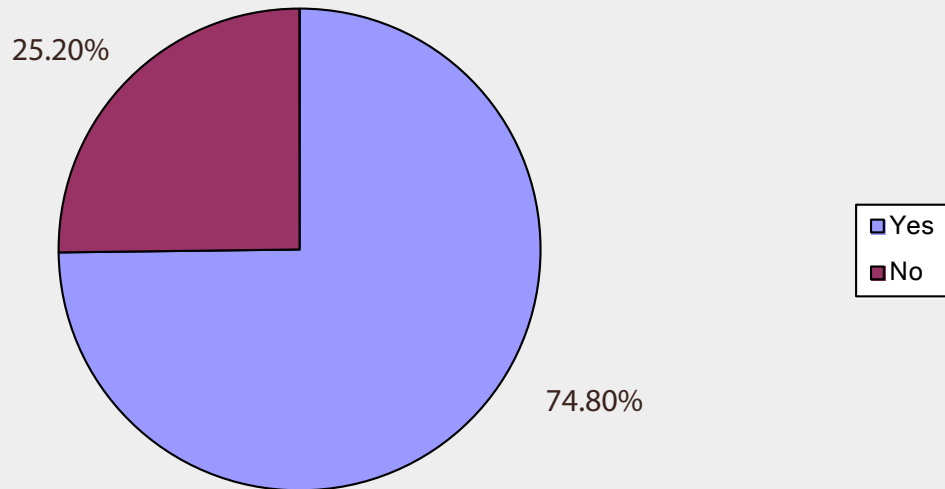
**7) Does the City have enough parkland? (Please indicate one answer.)**



**8) Please identify two, if not more, of the following funding methods you prefer for developing new and existing public parks and recreation facilities:**



**9) Would you support a Bond Election for funds to develop new and existing public parks and recreation facilities?**



**12) Please review the following suggested ACTIVE recreational activities/facilities and Step 1: Select 10 priority items based on the importance and need for each facility. Step 2: Rank these 10 choices using 1 as the highest priority item a 10 as the lowest priority item.**

	Rating Average	Response Count
Playgrounds	3.83	136
Baseball fields (Youth)	4.24	118
Baseball fields (Practice)	4.86	4
Soccer (Youth)	4.95	96
Basketball courts (Indoor)	5.10	94
Tennis courts (Public)	5.11	108
Basketball courts (Outdoor)	5.35	96
Skate parks	5.38	85
Indoor gymnastics	5.52	54
Horseshoes / Washers	5.66	50
Softball fields (Youth)	5.73	82
Canoeing / Kayaking	5.76	102
Football fields	5.76	103
Putting greens	5.84	69
Jump rope court	5.85	27
Softball fields (Adult)	6.00	74
Soccer (Adult)	6.02	62
Sand volleyball courts	6.36	87
Lacrosse fields	6.60	25
Badminton	8.09	47



**13) Please review the following suggested PASSIVE recreational activities / facilities and Step 1: Select 10 priority items based on the importance and need for each facility. Step 2: Rank these 10 choices using 1 as the highest priority item a 10 as the lowest priority item.**

	Rating Average	Response Count
Community / Recreation Center	4.56	79
Bike trails (off road)/ motorcycles / ATVs	4.59	51
Nature trails	4.71	95
Splash Pad	4.81	72
Jogging trails	4.91	86
Outdoor Recreation Swimming	4.98	90
Fitness workout stations	5.07	46
Bike trails (on road)	5.11	74
Walking trails	5.13	105
Dog park	5.15	86
Open Play Area (kite flying, kickball, etc.)	5.31	52
Indoor Water Fitness	5.44	43
Community garden (plot for use by residents)	5.53	36
Camping areas	5.57	49
Disc Golf Course	5.61	51
Linear Parks that run along creeks	5.71	49
Equestrian trails	5.71	14
Arena (equestrian, livestock shows, etc.)	5.74	23
Amphitheaters	5.81	73
Fishing	5.87	60
Restrooms / Drinking Fountains	5.95	55
Veterans Memorial	6.00	37
Senior Center	6.03	31
Picnic areas / tables/ grills	6.07	67
RV Sites	6.14	7
Botanical Garden	6.26	54
Golf Course	6.30	30
Natural Areas (undeveloped parkland)	6.50	28
Nature Center for classes	6.57	21
Bird watching	6.73	22
Outdoor Classroom (nature studies, recitals, etc.)	6.89	18

**14) From the FACILITIES listed in Questions 12 and 13, please indicate the top three that are the most important to your household?  
(Write in your preference below.)**

	1st (*3)	2nd (*2)	3rd (*1)	Total
Outdoor Recreation Swimming	28	12	18	126
Walking Trails	12	17	15	85
Soccer	20	8	6	82
Community Rec Center	13	14	8	75
Bike trails (on road)	11	10	13	66
Dog Park	12	8	6	58
Baseball	9	12	3	54
Splash Pad	7	7	5	40
Nature Trails	5	8	7	38
Playgrounds	4	8	10	38
Jogging trails	6	8	2	36
Amphitheater	8	3	4	34
Softball	4	4	1	21
Football	2	4	4	18
Linear parks	-	5	6	16
Open play area	2	4	2	16
Tennis Courts	2	3	2	14
Veterans Memorial	3	2	1	14
Basketball	2	2	3	13
Canoeing	1	3	4	13
Off Road Bike	3	2	-	13
Picnic areas	2	2	3	13
Skate Park	1	1	6	11
Fishing	-	3	4	10
Golfing	-	4	2	10
Senior Center	1	1	4	9
Camping	2	-	2	8
Natural Areas	2	1	-	8
Sand Volleyball	1	2	1	8
Botanical garden center	1	-	3	6
Indoor Gymnastics	1	1	-	5
Nature Center	-	1	3	5
Disc Golf Course	-	1	2	4
Fitness workout stations	-	-	3	3
Birding	-	-	2	2
Putting Green	-	-	1	1

**15) Please list any FACILITIES not noted in survey Questions 12 and 13 that the City of Hutto should consider constructing in the future.  
(List & write in any comments.)**

Crush granite running trails. Or utilize the creeks for hiking/running trails

Putt-Putt

Meditation Paths

All Abilities park (check out Rabb All Abilities off 79.)

PUBLIC Recreation Center

Track

Police station, Fire Station

Foot Golf

Larger splash pad in downtown area where the hippo is

Teen Center

Bowling/movie theater

Fire Station

Natatorium

BMX Course

Lake like Pflugerville Lake if possible.

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Equestrian

Creekside Parks

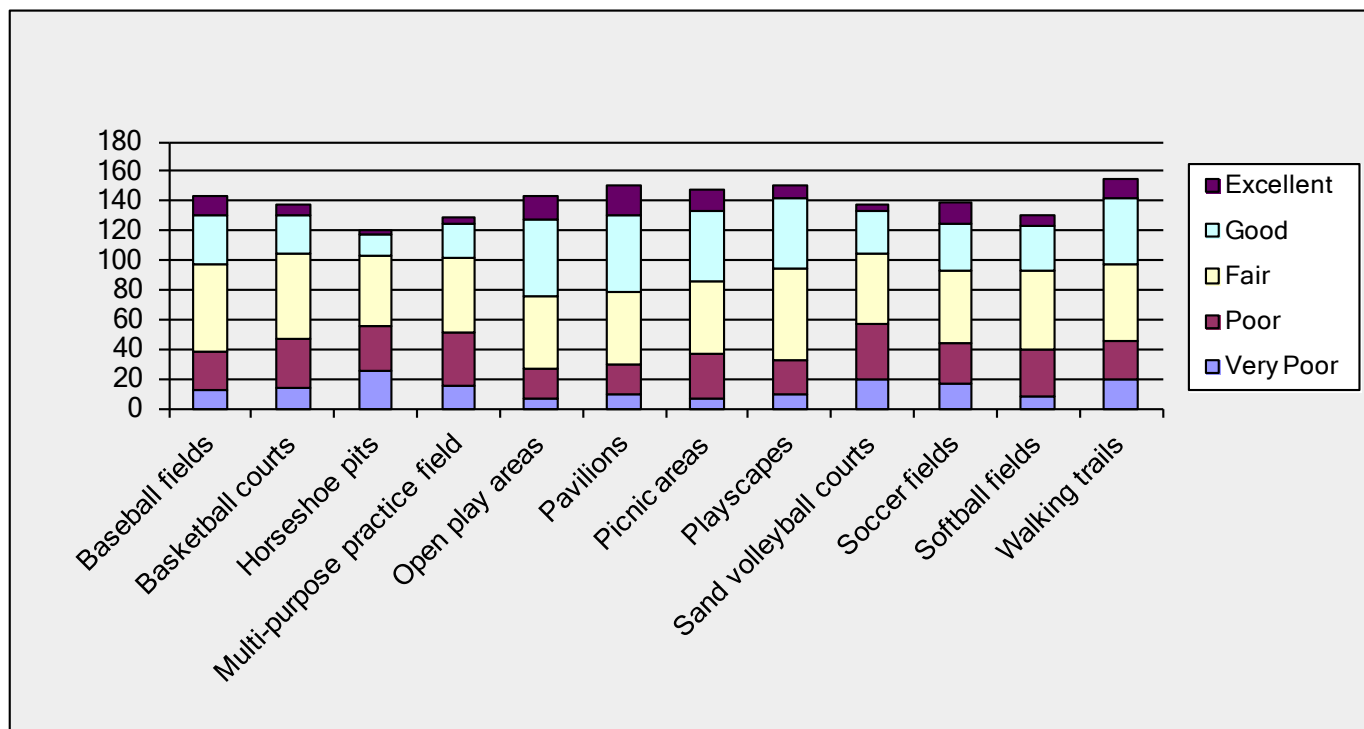
Drive In

Motorcycle Trail

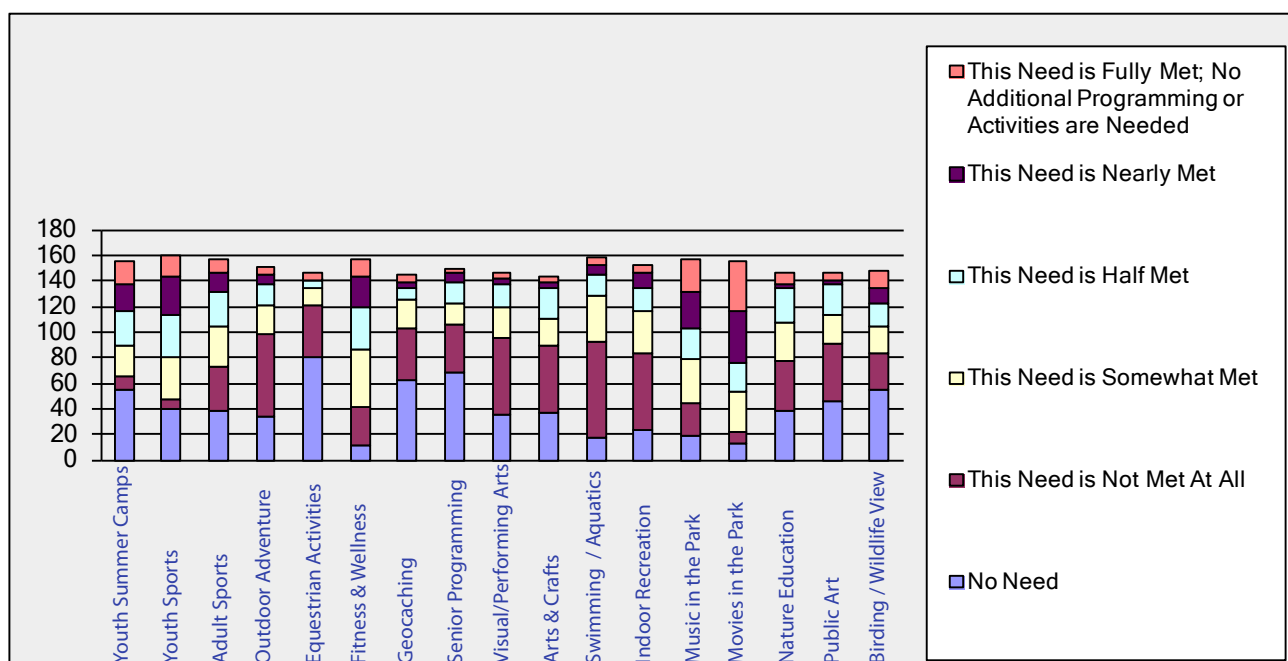
Fitness Center

Outdoor Music Venue

**16) From the FACILITIES listed below, please indicate how well you or someone in your household feels these existing facilities are meeting your recreational needs is currently being met in existing parks in Hutto.**  
**(Please indicate one answer for each program activity.)**



**17) From the PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES listed below, please indicate if you or someone in your household has a need for each of the activities or recreational programs. (Please indicate yes or no for each activity.)**





**18) From the PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES listed in Question 17, please indicate the top three that are the most important to your household? (Write in your preference below.)**

	1st (*3)	2nd (*2)	3rd (*1)	Total
Youth sports	40	13	7	153
Swimming & Aquatics	26	23	18	142
Fitness & Wellness	11	16	11	76
Music in the park	7	13	11	58
Outdoor adventure	10	10	6	56
Adult sports	5	13	7	48
Movies in the park	6	11	7	47
Youth Summer Camps	7	8	7	44
Indoor Recreation	7	6	10	43
Visual and Performing arts	5	9	6	39
Senior Programing	3	4	6	23
Geocaching	4	2	6	22
Public Art	3	2	6	19
Nature education	1	2	6	13
Creative arts	1	2	5	12
Birding/Wildlife Viewing	2	-	2	8

**19) Please list any PROGRAMS/ACTIVITIES not noted in the survey that the City of Hutto should consider providing in the future. (List & write in any comments.)**

Interesting classes like Round Rock and Georgetown offer. Fencing, photography, swim teams, Dance classes for teens and adults. The only offered programs in Hutto now are for little kids and Seniors. NOTHING for teens or adults.

Through the Y and other areas, the city offers fitness & wellness things for families with children, but there doesn't seem to be anything for just adults without kids.

Swimmable lake area

Week long summer youth sport camps

Cheer programs

Something fun park districts would hold Mud Volleyball tournaments.

Minority Cultural Festivals/Military & Veterans Celebrations and Remembrances

Kickball.

I would love to see a pretty park in the downtown area by the hippo. It could help businesses... pavilions, gazebo, splash pad...

Gymnastics

Foot Golf!

After school Care

Gardening classes

Free or affordable boot camp, aerobics, zumba or other programmed recreation for ADULTS

Indoor exercise classes/programs

Sports for All Abilities! Programs for special needs children!

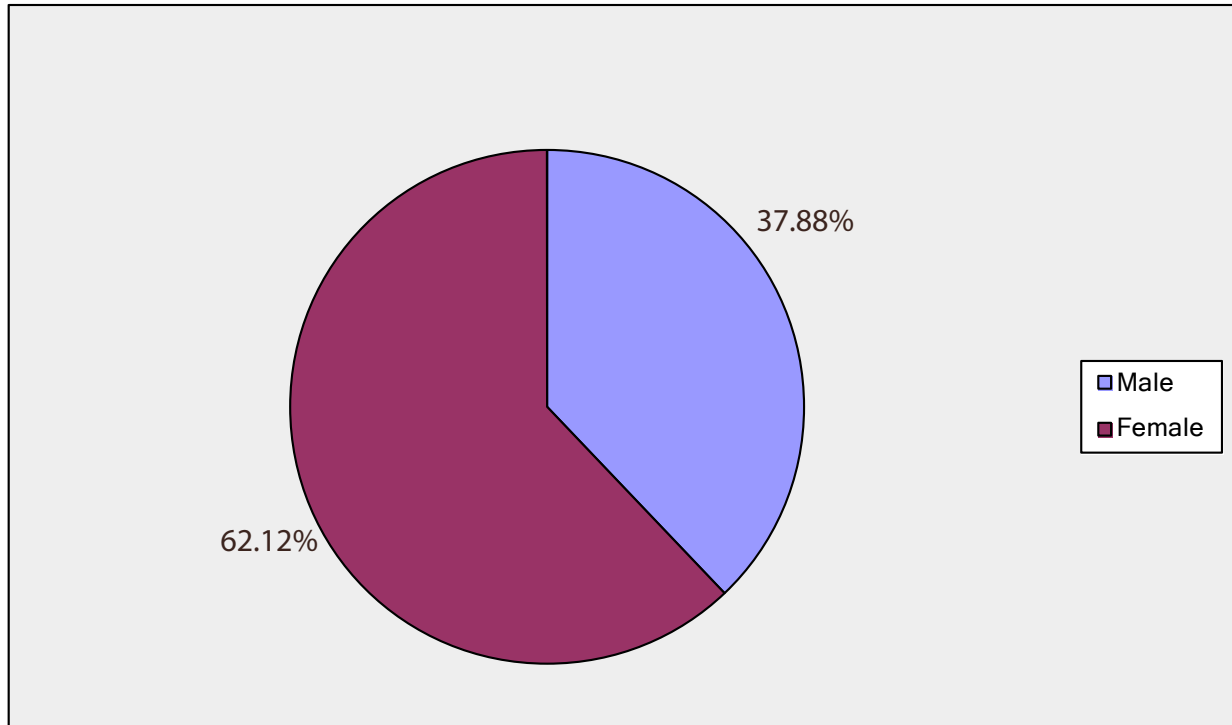
Off leash Dog Park

Yoga/zumba

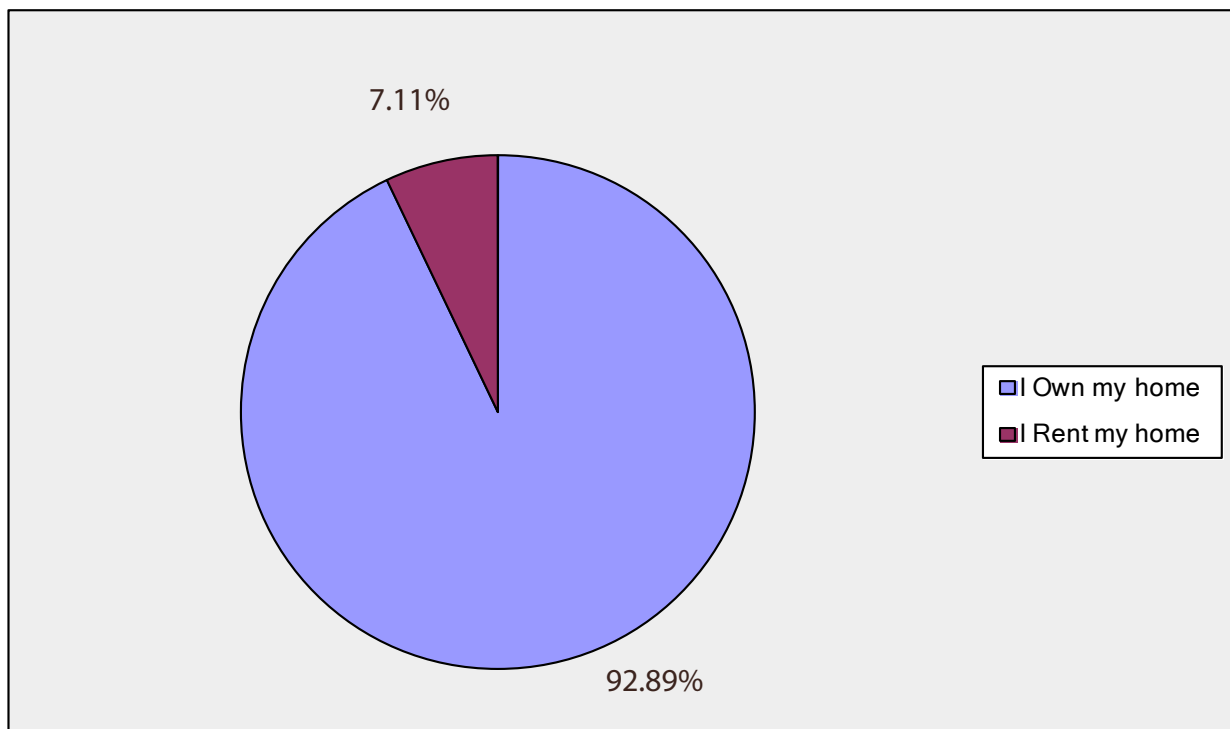
Teen center

Boys and girls club after school program, nature camps

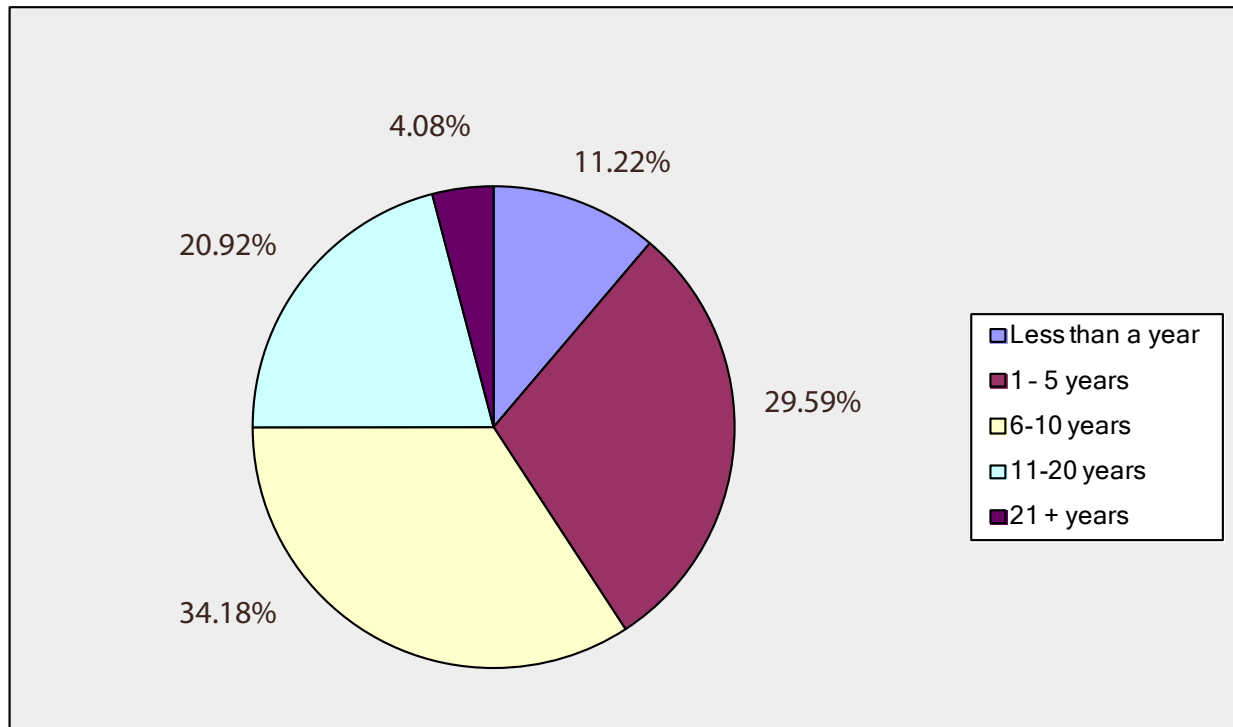
**20) I am Male / Female:**



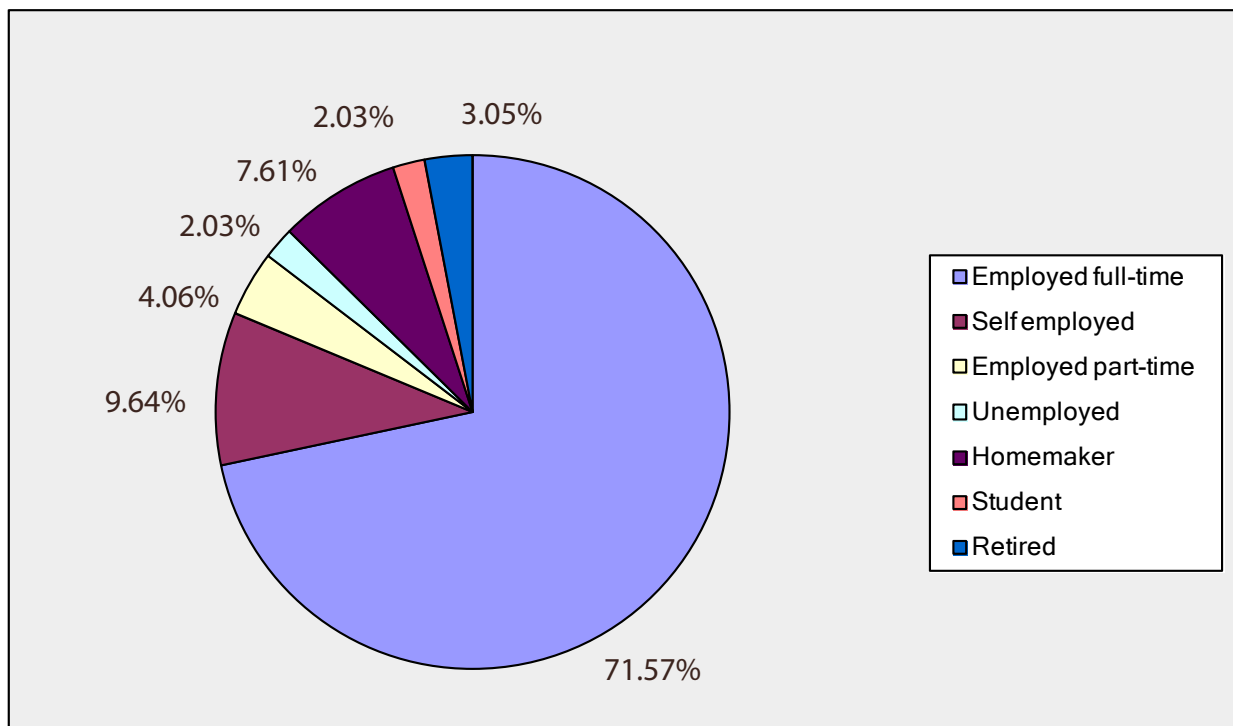
**21) I Own my home / Rent my home:**



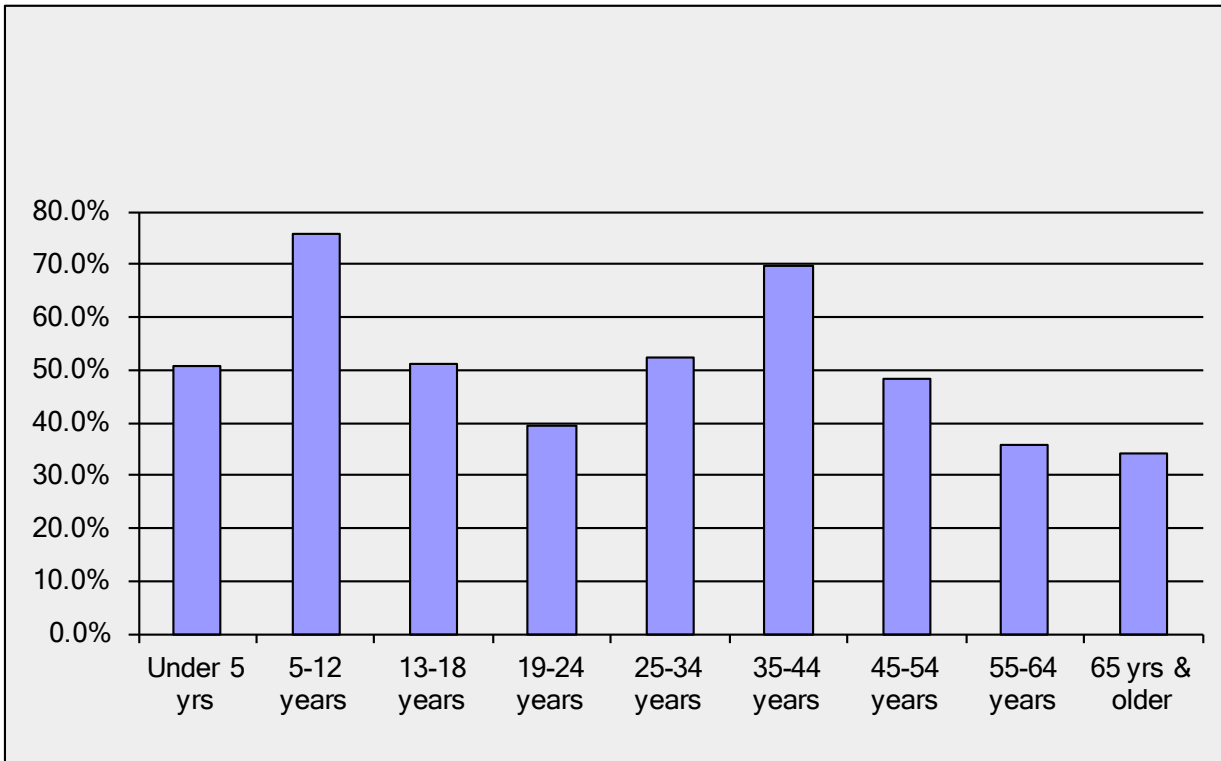
**22) I have lived in Hutto for \_\_\_\_\_ years. (Indicate only one answer.)**



**23) I am: (Indicate only one answer.)**



**24) Including yourself, indicate the NUMBER of people in your household who are in the following age categories. (If none, write "0")**





## 7. PARK AREAS AND FACILITY STANDARDS / GUIDELINES

The National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) provides the industry standard for parks, recreation, and open space design as recognized by park planning professionals throughout the country. This master plan follows the latest published nomenclature and standards as outlined by NRPA in the Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Greenway Guidelines 1990 edition.

NRPA directed each municipality or governmental agency to develop and provide its own guideline for growth and park planning as dictated by local conditions. As such, a numerical nationwide template of standards for parks growth does not exist, although the development of a standard for each municipality is exhorted. Previously, NRPA directed a minimum of 11 acres of parkland /1000 population.

Keeping NRPA directives in mind, the following standards and guidelines are to be used by the City of Hutto as a guide for minimum goals to be achieved by the City as its park system further develops. As with any issue that arises, the practice of these standards to specific situations should be applied with the wisdom of the local needs.

For purposes of this master plan, Hutto divided park classifications into the following categories:

**NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS** - As the basic unit of any City's park system, neighborhood parks serve residents in a 1/4 to 1/2 mile area. Typically, there is little if any parking and roadway infrastructure at the park and the focus tends to be on informal activities and servicing passive recreational needs.

**COMMUNITY PARKS** - Active program elements such as ball fields and larger community based recreation needs are served by the Community Park classification. Typically, these parks range from 30 to 100 acres in size and have a two mile level of service area.

**GREENBELTS AND OPEN SPACE** - These are the connectors which link the park system together as well as to other neighborhoods and cultural amenities. Width varies to accommodate specific user, site requirements, and safety needs.



## COMPARISON OF PARK ACREAGE TO ADOPTED STANDARDS - PROJECTIONS FOR 2020 AND 2025

In order to assist the City in acquiring additional parkland to meet the needs of a growing population, the following tables have been developed. Each table reflects a desired acreage amount per 1000 unit of population for each park classification group. These desired acreages are compared to existing park acreages within the City limits. The differences between the existing and desired acreages offer a guideline for the years 2020 and 2025, and provide the City of Hutto with a systematic park acquisition goal to meet the needs of the population.

### EXISTING AND UNDEVELOPED PARKLAND ACREAGE – CITY OF HUTTO

This table lists parkland inventory acreage as indicated in 'Section 5 - Inventory' of this master plan document.

#### Neighborhood Parks

Country Estates Park	1.43
Country Estates Pond	5.77
Glenwood Splash Pad	0.50
Total Neighborhood Parks Acreage=	7.70 Acres

#### Community Parks

Creekside Park	30.11
Fritz Park	33.03
Hutto Lake Park	39.49
Total Community Parks Acreage=	102.63 Acres

#### Greenbelts and Open Space

Brushy Creek Greenbelt	45.18
Cottonwood Creek Greenbelt	18.00
Saul House (Creek ) Frontage	10.00
South Greenbelt (Park at Brushy Creek/ Riverwalk Subdivision)	36.62
Total Greenbelt Acreage=	109.80 Acres

**TOTAL PARK ACREAGE= 220.13 Acres**

## CITY OF HUTTO PARK ACREAGE GUIDELINES

	Existing 2015 Population of 22,371	Guidelines for 2020 Population of 26,678	Guidelines for 2025 Population of 30,854
Facility	Existing Parks AC/1000	Suggested AC/1000	Suggested AC/1000
Neighborhood Parks	7.70 .34 ac/1000	7.70 .29 ac/1000	7.70 .25 ac/1000
Community Parks	102.63 4.59 ac/1000	162.63 6.10 ac/1000	222.63 7.21 ac/1000
Greenbelts	109.80 4.90 ac/1000	136.70 5.12 ac/1000	136.70 4.43 ac/1000
Totals	220.13 9.83 ac/1000	307.03 11.51 ac/1000	367.03 11.89 ac/1000



## FACILITY BASED GUIDELINES

As shown below, information from the NRPA guidelines is listed along with facility development guideline recommendations from LUCK Design Team developed specifically for the City of Hutto. The recommendations from LUCK Design Team refer to facilities not covered in the NRPA recommendations. Proposed facility guidelines are for fiscal years 2020 and 2025.

### City of Hutto Park Facility Guidelines

Activity / Facility	Guidelines Recommended For Facilities Per Population	Existing Facilities In 2015 Pop. of 22,371	Facilities Proposed For 2020 Pop. of 26,678	Facilities Proposed For 2025 Pop. of 30,854
Amphitheaters	1/50,000^	0	0	0
Baseball Fields (turf infield)	1/5,000*	1	5	9
Basketball Courts (outdoors)	1/5,000*	3	4	6
BMX Track	1 track/40,000^	0	0	0
Disc Golf	18 holes/20,000^	0	0	0
Fishing Docks	1/10,000^	1	1	1
Football Fields	1/20,000*	1	1	2
Golf Course	1/50,000*	0	0	0
Multi-Purpose Fields	1/20,000*	0	1	1
Pavilion/Shelters	1/2,000*	4	8	12
Picnic Tables	1 table/300*	49	58	72
Playgrounds	1 area/1,000*	7	10	14
Recreation Centers	1/20,000-30,000*	0	1	1
Skate Parks	1/20,000^	0	0	0
Soccer Fields	1/5,000*	0	4	6
Softball Fields (clay infield)	1/5,000*	2	6	6
Swimming Pools	1/20,000*	0	1	1
Splash Pads	1/5,000*	1	2	4
Tennis Courts	1/5,000*	0	0	0
Trails	1/2-1 mile/1,000*	4.51 miles	7.5 miles	15.0 miles
Volleyball Area (outdoors)	1/5,000*	1	2	4

\* - Source: Guidelines from Appendix A in Recreation, Park and Open Space Standards and Guidelines, p. 60-61, 4th printing 1990, a publication of the National Recreation and Park Association.

^ - Source: LUCK Design Team professional recommendation for the City of Hutto.

## 8. PARKS AND FACILITY NEEDS IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

This section outlines a parks priority action plan focused on outdoor facility improvements, indoor facility improvements and acquisition of future community parkland.

An important part of any parks, recreation and open space master plan is the identification of the park needs and priorities through inventory analysis, needs assessment, public input, and suggestions from the Parks Advisory Board and City Staff. The top outdoor park priorities as indicated through survey results and discussions with the Parks Advisory Board are indicated in the table on the right.

### OUTDOOR RECREATION FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

As the list of outdoor park facility priorities on the right indicates, trails were by far the number one ranked item for residents in Hutto. This included all types of trail uses and surface types.

As the City continues to build its city infrastructure, emphasis should be placed on trail connectivity to cultural amenities and destinations throughout the City. The cost associated with the trail construction should also be shared by developers and treated as an infrastructure item vital to the working core of the City as roads and other utilities.

Green space for athletic activities is also a high priority for the City. Soccer fields and baseball fields in particular are well below accepted national standards for both game and practice fields. As a result, it is a high priority of this master plan to increase the number of athletic fields within the City over the next 10 years. Future plans include the City conducting a master plan and cost feasibility study for a 60 acres sports complex on the east side of town.



Desire for a public dog park within the City was also voiced at both public meetings and throughout the needs assessment survey. The Implementation and Action plan advocates the acquisition of parkland and the design of a future dog park to accommodate this desire.

### OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL FACILITY PRIORITIES:

#### High Priorities

- Trails
- Soccer
- Dog Park
- Swimming Pool
- Baseball

#### Medium Priorities

- Splash Pad
- Playground

#### Moderate Priorities

- Amphitheater
- Softball
- Football
- Linear Parks
- Open Play Area
- Tennis Courts
- Veterans Memorial
- Basketball
- Canoeing
- Picnic Areas
- Skate Park
- Fishing
- Golfing
- Camping
- Natural Areas
- Sand Volleyball
- Botanical Garden Center
- Disc Golf Course
- Fitness Workout Stations
- Birding
- Putting Green



The 2006 City of Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trails Master Plan advocated for an Indoor Swimming facility. The overwhelming community feedback associated with this master plan study is the City needs an outdoor swimming facility. While splash pads were also deemed a medium priority, residents foremost desire an outdoor pool.

A swimming pool has long been a desired element for residents within the City and this want only increased as the population grew. Accepted national standards recommend one outdoor pool per every 20,000 people residing in a City. The City of Hutto's current population of 22,371 is in line with that ratio recommendation and gives more credence to the vocal demand for an outdoor recreation pool.

Research indicates the surrounding Cities have the following public pool to population ratios:

- The City of Pflugerville (46,936 population) has 3 public pools for a ratio of 1 pool : 15,645 residents;
- The City of Round Rock (100,764 population) has 5 public pools, including Clay Madsen Recreation Center, for a ratio of 1 pool : 20,152 residents;
- The City of Georgetown (48,220 population) has 5 public pools for a ratio of 1 pool : 9,644 residents.

The City of Hutto has one quasi-public pool; the two lane pool at the YMCA which is included in the City inventory.

This plan recommends for the City to conduct a feasibility study to define program elements and probable estimates of costs associated with building a public swimming pool facility within the City. Potential of partnerships with other organizations or quasi-government entities should also be explored.

## INDOOR RECREATION FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

Throughout the parks needs assessment and public workshops, indoor recreation facilities and meeting areas ranked as a high parks and recreation need. With the increasing population in Hutto, a Community Recreation Center is a need within the City. Discussions thru the stakeholder meetings and feedback from the open-ended questions in the needs assessment survey indicate that while the YMCA provides many indoor recreation opportunities, the City simply grew to the point where it needs more and varied indoor recreation opportunities.

### INDOOR RECREATIONAL FACILITY PRIORITIES:

#### High Priorities

- Community Recreation Center
- Senior Center
- Indoor Gymnastics
- Teen Center

The list of indoor recreational amenities priorities provides for a wide range of age groups and their recreational needs; however, promoting a single use recreation center which could meet all these varied needs from young families to a Teen Center and also Senior programming is the optimum direction for the City to explore at this time.

The City of Hutto offers recreational programming opportunities throughout the City, including camps, basketball leagues and other indoor programs. The community expressed a desire for more indoor recreation opportunities but the City currently does not have adequate space to offer more programs.

The Implementation Plan includes the City conducting a feasibility study to investigate the costs and programming associated with a new Community Recreation Center to provide more space for additional recreation programming. Exploring the potential of partnerships with other organizations within the City for indoor recreation opportunities should also be included as part of the feasibility study.

### ACQUISITION OF FUTURE COMMUNITY PARKLAND

City leadership stated a desire to focus on the acquisition of land for public community parks and greenbelt areas while leaving the responsibility of providing neighborhood parks and amenities to residential developers.

In order to keep the same level of existing community parkland acreage (or to increase the level of parkland, which is the feedback from the needs assessment survey), it is recommended that approximately 147 acres of parkland be added to the City's parkland inventory over the next five to ten years (see page 47 for Acreage Guidelines). As part of the direction of this master plan, the City will add 60 acres of "Community Park" parkland by year 2020 for a sports complex and an additional 60 acres of "Community Park" parkland by year 2025 for another community park. The remaining 27 acres is projected to be added to the "Greenbelts and Open Space" acreage inventory.



Project Date	Project Name	Project Location	Project / Phase Type	Project Description	Goal(s) Satisfied from Master Plan	Funding Sources	Est. Budget Amount
FY 2016	Texas Parks and Wildlife Hike and Bike Trail Grant Application	TBD	Master Plan	80/20 Match on Non-Motorized Trails; 1.25 miles of trail with three bridges; 8' wide concrete	Goal 1	Parks	\$10,000
FY 2017	Texas Parks and Wildlife Hike and Bike Trail Grant Application	TBD	Construction	80/20 Match on Non-Motorized Trails; 1.25 miles of trail with three bridges; 8' wide concrete	Goal 2	TPWD Grant Parks	\$160,000 \$590,000
FY 2020	Miscellaneous Trails to Meet 2020 Goal	TBD	Construction	1.75 miles of trail; 8' wide concrete	Goal 2	Parks	\$1,050,000
FY 2016	Sports Complex	East side of the City	Master Plan	Sports complex to include baseball/soccer fields and community park development	Goals 1 & 3	Parks	\$4,800
FY 2017	Sports Complex	East side of the City	Construction Document Development	Sports complex to include baseball/soccer fields and community park development	Goal 1	Parks	\$80,000-\$120,000
FY 2019	Sports Complex	East side of the City	Construction	Sports complex to include baseball/soccer fields and community park development	Goals 2 & 8	Future Bonds	\$5,000,000 - \$8,000,000
FY 2016	Dog Park	TBD	Master Plan / Construction Document Development	Dog Park	Goal 1	Parks	\$20,000
FY 2017	Dog Park	TBD	Construction	Dog Park	Goal 2	501c3 Donations Parks	\$70,000 \$150,000
FY 2016	Outdoor Swimming Pool	TBD	Feasibility Study / Master Plan	Outdoor Swimming Pool with Restrooms / Parking	Goal 1	Parks	\$50,000-\$70,000
FY 2018	Outdoor Swimming Pool	TBD	Construction Document Development	Outdoor Swimming Pool with Restrooms / Parking	Goal 1	Future Bonds	\$220,000
FY 2019	Outdoor Swimming Pool	TBD	Construction	Outdoor Swimming Pool with Restrooms / Parking	Goal 2	Future Bonds	\$8,000,000 - \$10,000,000
FY 2016	Indoor Recreation Center	TBD	Feasibility Study / Master Plan	Indoor Recreation to include programming for teens/seniors/community residents	Goals 1 & 3	Parks	\$50,000-\$70,000
FY 2018	Indoor Recreation Center	TBD	Construction Document Development	Indoor Recreation to include programming for teens/seniors/community residents	Goal 1	Future Bonds	\$220,000
FY 2019	Indoor Recreation Center	TBD	Construction	Indoor Recreation to include programming for teens/seniors/community residents	Goals 2 & 8	Future Bonds	\$8,000,000 - \$10,000,000

Project Date	Project Name	Project Location	Project / Phase Type	Project Description	Goal(s) Satisfied from Master Plan	Funding Sources	Est. Budget Amount
FY 2018	Creekside Park Improvements	305 Orchard Way	Construction Document Development	Ball field and Parking Area Improvements	Goal 1	Parks	\$50,000
FY 2019	Creekside Park Improvements	305 Orchard Way	Construction	Ball field and Parking Area Improvements	Goal 2	Parks	\$500,000
FY 2017 and beyond	Annual Park Improvements	TBD	Construction	Dedicated Annual Fund for Park Improvements / Upgrades	Goals 2 & 5	Parks	\$75,000
FY 2016	Community Parkland Acquisition	TBD	Acquisition	Addition of 60 acres for Sports Complex	Goals 3 & 4	Parks	\$2,000,000 Or Land Donation
FY 2018	Community Parkland Acquisition	TBD	Acquisition	Addition of 60 acres for Community Parkland	Goals 3 & 4	Parks	\$2,000,000 Or Land Donation
FY 2019	Splash Pad Improvements	TBD	Master Plan / Construction Document Development	Splash Pad, Parking Area, Restroom Improvements	Goal 1	Parks	\$60,000
FY 2020	Splash Pad Improvements	TBD	Construction	Splash Pad, Parking Area, Restroom Improvements	Goal 2	Parks	\$835,000
FY 2016	Saul House Improvements	10700 South FM 1660	Master Plan / Construction Document Development	Interior/Exterior Improvements to Provide Enhanced Programming Opportunities	Goals 1 & 6	Future Bonds	\$100,000
FY 2018	Saul House Improvements	10700 South FM 1660	Construction	Interior/Exterior Improvements to Provide Enhanced Programming Opportunities	Goals 1 & 6	Future Bonds	\$1,000,000

# APPENDIX

Appendix A - Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trail Master Plan Revision Survey

Appendix B - Public Comments from Community Survey Question Number 10

Appendix C - Public Comments from Community Survey Question Number 11





## **Hutto Parks, Recreation, Open Space & Trail Master Plan Revision Survey**

The City of Hutto is currently updating the Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trail Master Plan. Your input will significantly shape the future of parks and recreation facilities within your community. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey and return it to us by May 31, 2015.

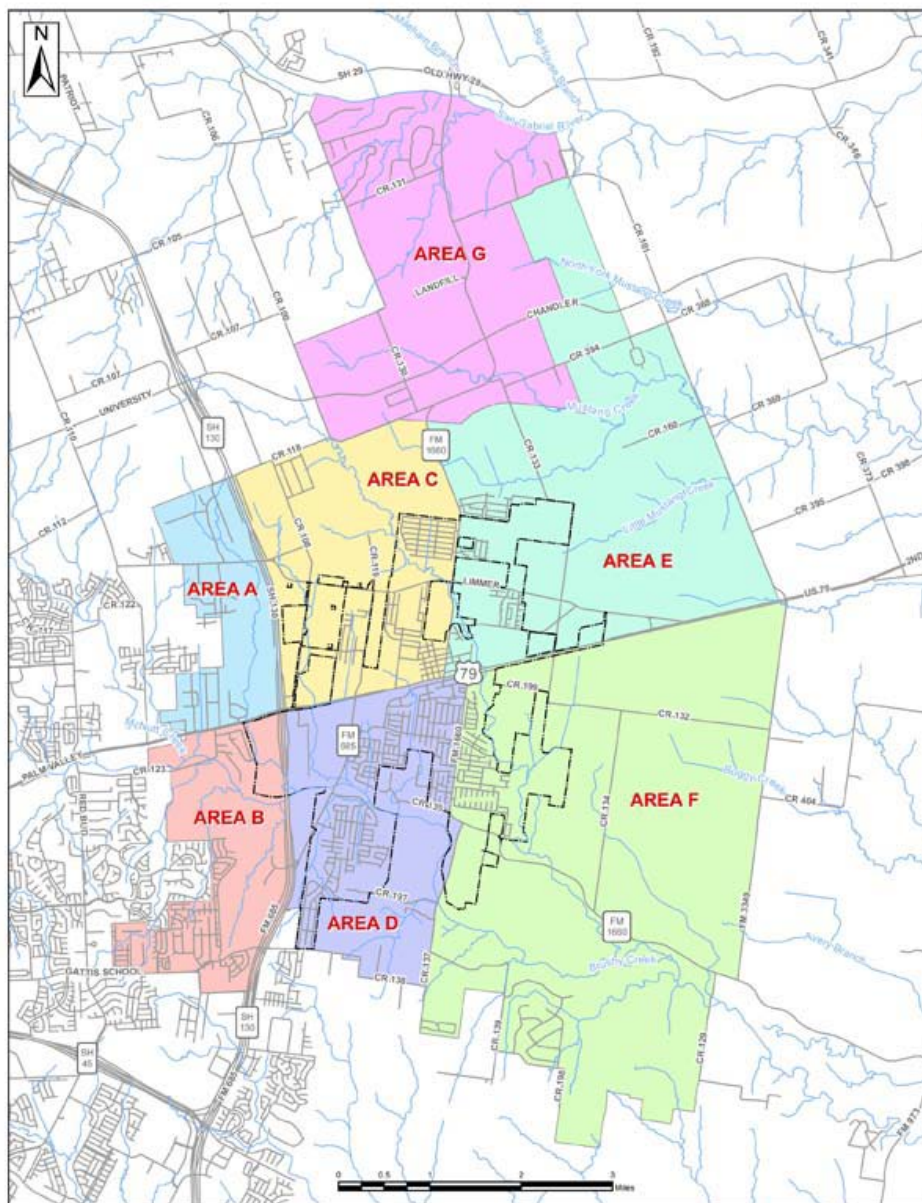
Citizens of Hutto completed a similar survey in 2006 that led to the Parks, Recreation, Open Space and Trail Master Plan. Major Goals from the 2007 Adopted Plan which have been achieved to date include:

- Revised park land dedication ordinance through the adoption of the City of Hutto's Unified Development Code. The revision includes comprehensive definitions of land per dwelling units built, fees in lieu of land donation for residential development and park land development fees for all new development.
- Hutto Lake Park designed, constructed and completed in 2011.
- An additional two to four miles of additional trail was completed with the additional of the Cottonwood Trail that stretches from Hutto Elementary School to Nadine Johnson Elementary School and Hutto High School. It also added 1.25 miles when the trails at Hutto lake Park were complete in 2011.
- With the connection of trail and sidewalk from the Mager Lane Capital Improvements Project, Clark's Crossing and Carol Meadows now have direct connections to Fritz Park which serves as its neighborhood park. Additional sidewalk will be connecting neighborhoods on FM 1660 North to Fritz Park via a project slated for late 2015. This will add nearly an additional two miles of sidewalk.
- Fritz Park will undergo construction improvements based on a 2009 bond referendum passed by voters to improve facilities at Fritz Park. Construction plans will be complete this summer with the project out to bid in early 2016.
- The City has an agreement with Williamson County to develop youth athletic fields. The 2009 bond referendum was not passed by voters to approve funds to complete this project yet the need for additional youth athletic fields remains a high priority. A local land owner has stepped agreed in principle to donate a significant amount of land to meet the community's needs as the 2007 plan identifies.
- With the 2009 bond referendum the City constructed a municipal recreation center which is operated under contract by the YMCA of Greater Williamson County. The center includes an indoor swimming facility for recreational and therapeutic purposes, a full court gymnasium, work out equipment and facilities, a cardio theater/teen center, playground and child care facilities.

Please complete this survey by indicating the answers that best reflect your attitudes and opinions.

Your opinion is important and the City would like to thank you for taking the time to complete the survey.

1) Which area of the City do you live in? (Indicate only one answer.)



<b>Area A</b> - Northwest (North of Hwy79/ West of SH 130)	
<b>Area B</b> - Southwest (South of Hwy79/ West of SH 130)	
<b>Area C</b> - North Central (North of Hwy79/ East of SH 130/West of FM 1660)	
<b>Area D</b> - South Central (South of Hwy79/ East of SH 130/West of FM 1660)	
<b>Area E</b> - Northeast (North of Hwy79/ East of FM 1660)	
<b>Area F</b> - Southeast (South of Hwy79/ East of FM 1660)	
<b>Area G</b> - Growth Area North of Chandler Road	

**2) How often have you or members of your household visited the City parks listed below or used recreation facilities in Hutto in the last year?**

(Multiple answers may be indicated.)

	How often do you visit parks in Hutto?	Once a week	More than once a month	Once a month	Two or more times during the year	Never
A	Fritz Park					
B	Creekside Park					
C	Country Estates Park					
D	Hutto Lake Park					
E	Glenwood Splash Pad					

**3) How would you rate the physical condition of the parks in Hutto?**

(Multiple answers may be indicated.)

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't Know / Not Familiar
Fritz Park					
Creekside Park					
Country Estates Park					
Hutto Lake Park					
Glenwood Splash Pad					

**4) Overall, how would you rate the City of Hutto parks and recreation opportunities?**

((Please indicate one answer.))

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't Know / Not Familiar
Parks and Recreation Opportunities					

**5) From the list below, please mark the top four ways you learn about parks and recreation activities offered in Hutto? (Indicate only four answers.)**

City website		Local Newspaper – "The Hutto News"	
Radio		Calling/talking to City Parks and Recreation employees	
Television		Social Media (Twitter/Facebook/etc.)	
Word of Mouth		Notifications posted at City Facilities	
		Local \ Other Websites	

Other (List): \_\_\_\_\_

**6) If you selected "social media" in Question 5 as one of the top four ways you learn about parks and recreation activities offered by the City of Hutto, which social media platform do you prefer? (Indicate only one answer.)**

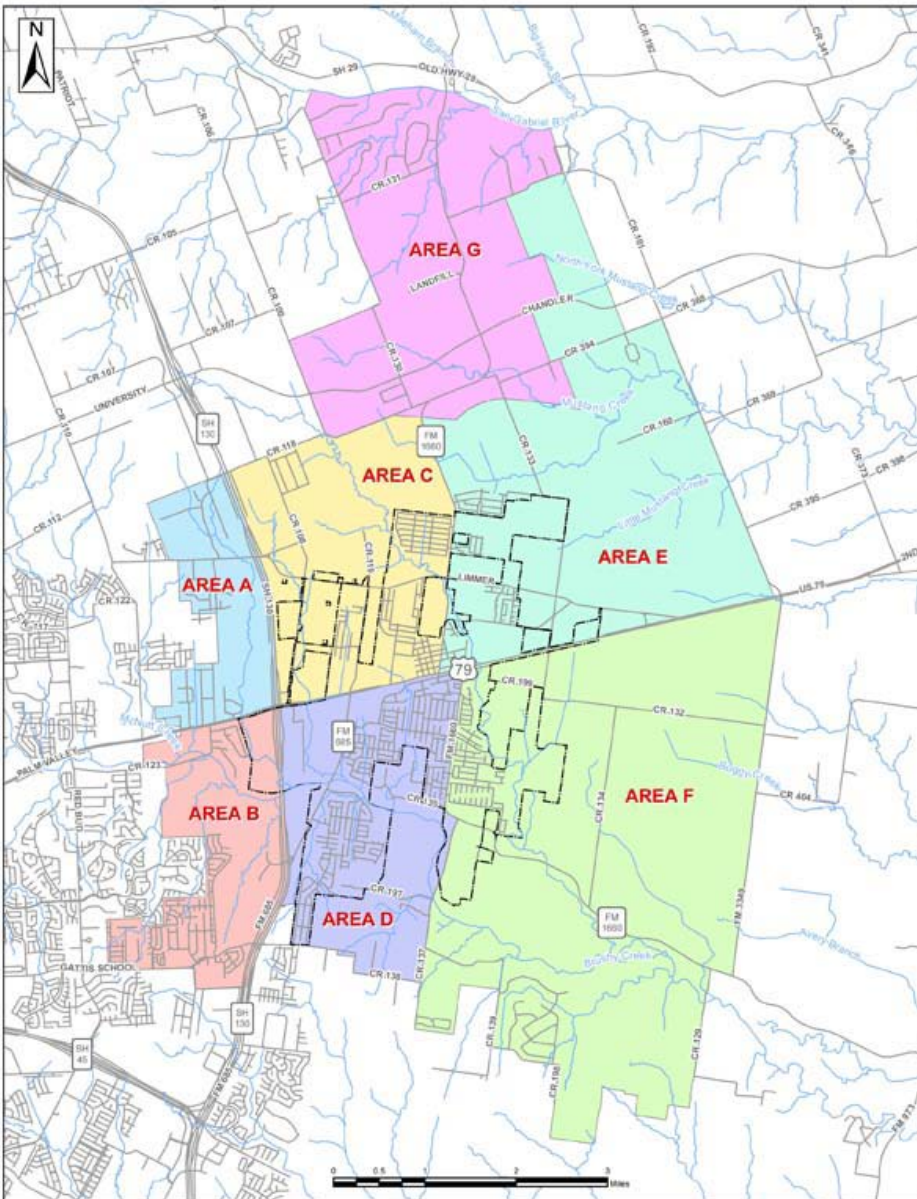
Facebook	
Twitter	
YouTube	
Instagram	
Pinterest	

\_\_\_\_\_ Other (List): \_\_\_\_\_

**7) Does the City have enough parkland? (Please indicate one answer.)**

Yes		No		Don't Know /Not Familiar	
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If you answered "No" where do you think new parks are needed? For example, write in "Area 1" if you think more parkland is needed in Area a as shown on the map below.



**8) Please identify two, if not more, of the following funding methods you prefer for developing new and existing public parks and recreation facilities:**

Property Tax Increase	
Voter Bond	
User Fees (A fee paid to a facility owner by a facility user as a necessary condition for using the facility.)	
Sales Tax	
Impact Fees (A fee that is imposed by the City on a new or proposed development project to pay for the costs of providing public services (for example, a new park) to the new development.)	

**9) Would you support a Bond Election for funds to develop new and existing public parks and recreation facilities?**

Yes		No	
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**10) Where do you go outside of the City of Hutto to meet your parks and recreation needs?** *(Please write specific name of place, parks and type of facility you use {skate park, off road trails, tennis courts, volleyball, etc.}.)*

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**11) What is the single most important issue or need concerning City of Hutto parks or recreation programs?** *(Write in any comments.)*

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12) Please review the following suggested ACTIVE recreational activities/facilities and **Step 1**: Select 10 priority items based on the importance and need for each facility. **Step 2**: Rank these 10 choices using 1 as the highest priority item a 10 as the lowest priority item.

[illegible]

**13) Please review the following suggested PASSIVE recreational activities / facilities and Step 1: Select 10 priority items based on the importance and need for each facility. Step 2: Rank these 10 choices using 1 as the highest priority item a 10 as the lowest priority item.**

[illegible]

**14) From the FACILITIES listed in Questions 12 and 13, please indicate the top three that are the most important to your household?**

*(Write in your preference below.)*

\_\_\_\_\_1st                      \_\_\_\_\_2nd                      \_\_\_\_\_3rd

**15) Please list any FACILITIES not noted in survey Questions 12 and 13 that the City of Hutto should consider constructing in the future.**

*(List & write in any comments.)*

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**16) From the FACILITIES listed below, please indicate how well you or someone in your household feels these existing facilities are meeting your recreational needs is currently being met in existing parks in Hutto.**

*(Please indicate one answer for each program activity.)*

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor
Baseball fields					
Basketball courts					
Horseshoe pits					
Multi-purpose practice field					
Open play areas					
Pavilions					
Picnic areas					
Playscapes					
Sand volleyball courts					
Soccer fields					
Softball fields					
Walking trails					

Other (List): \_\_\_\_\_

**17) From the PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES listed below, please indicate if you or someone in your household has a need for each of the activities or recreational programs. (Please indicate yes or no for each activity.)**

This need is:	Fully Met; No Additional Programming or Activities are Needed	Nearly Met	Half Met	Somewhat Met	Not Met At All	No Need
Youth Summer Camps						
Youth Sports						
Adult Sports						
Outdoor Adventure Sports						
Equestrian Activities						
Fitness & Wellness						
Geocaching (participants use a Global Positioning System (GPS) receiver or mobile device to hide and seek containers, called "geocaches")						
Senior Programming						
Visual & Performing Arts						
Creative Arts & Crafts						
Swimming & Aquatics						
Indoor Recreation						
Music in the Park						
Movies in the Park						
Nature Education						
Public Art						
Birding / Wildlife Viewing						

**18) From the PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES listed in Question 17, please indicate the top three that are the most important to your household? (Write in your preference below.)**

\_\_\_\_\_1st                      \_\_\_\_\_2nd                      \_\_\_\_\_3<sup>rd</sup>

**19) Please list any PROGRAMS/ACTIVITIES not noted in the survey that the City of Hutto should consider providing in the future. (List & write in any comments.)**

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**About you:**

**20) I am Male / Female**

Male	
Female	

**21) I Own my home / Rent my home**

Own my Home	
Rent my Home	

**22) I have lived in Hutto for \_\_\_\_\_ years. (Indicate only one answer.)**

Less than a year	
1 – 5 years	
6-10 years	
11-20 years	
21 + years	

**23) I am: (Indicate only one answer.)**

Employed full-time	
Self employed	
Employed part-time	
Unemployed	
Homemaker	
Student	
Retired	

**24) Including yourself, indicate the NUMBER of people in your household who are in the following age categories. (If none, write "0".)**

Under 5 years		35-44 years	
5-12 years		45-54 years	
13-18 years		45-64 years	
19-24 years		65 yrs & older	
25-34 years			

**25) If you would like to be contacted by City Park Staff as a follow-up to any item on this survey or to be notified of potential volunteer opportunities, please write your name, phone and email below.**

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS SURVEY. YOUR INPUT WILL HELP DEVELOP THE FUTURE VISION FOR PARKS AND RECREATION IN THE CITY OF HUTTO.**



**10) Where do you go outside of the City of Hutto to meet your parks and recreation needs? (Please write specific name of place, parks and type of facility you use {skate park, off road trails, tennis courts, volleyball, etc.}.)**

1. Old Settlers - baseball fields, outdoor swimming
2. Pflugerville
3. Round rock old settlers off road trail
4. Hawaiian Falls
5. Zilker. For entertainment and to be close to the water.
6. Swimming pool area. Pflugerville
7. Old settlers, walnut creek, red bud isle - trails and water, dog park
8. Round rock play for all abilities park, old settlers park
9. Round Rock All-Play Park
10. Round rock and Georgetown
11. Old settlers park
12. Round rock or Pflugerville swimming
13. Walking trails at Ladybird Lake & at Central Market
14. Old settlers fishing, brushy creek amenities
15. Round rock and Georgetown parks and pools
16. Georgetown bark park, old settlers park, Pflugerville lake
17. Locations on/near water, different playgrounds for kids
18. Round rock dog park
19. Zilker Park in Austin
20. State parks
21. Parks in Round Rock and Austin
22. Old Settler's: Biking Trails, Frisbee Golf, Murphy Park: Tennis, Swimming, Fishing
23. Round Rock
24. Old Settlers, Round Rock
25. Georgetown
26. Old settlers park for running trail and Taylor duck pond and park for kids
27. Round rock all abilities park. Quarry splash pad
28. Old Settler's Park Round Rock, Zilker Park Austin
29. Old Settlers in RR, Zilker Park in Austin
30. Old settlers park
31. Taylor Murphy Park
32. Clay madden, Georgetown rec center
33. Pflugerville Lake, Brushy Creek Trail, Georgetown Dog Park
34. Bike trails, Pflugerville parks
35. All Abilities Park, Old Settlers, Brushy Creek
36. Pflugerville pool
37. Swimming
38. Berry Springs,
39. Brushy creek park
40. Taylor Park
41. Round Rock water park
42. Pflugerville lake

43. Fritz
44. Old Settlers, Hanover's
45. Bike trails at Employment Facility and full gym facility
46. Lake Pflugerville, Memorial Park in Round Rock.
47. Memorial Park in RR, Taylor's public outdoor pool, Pflugerville Lake, Cedar Breaks Campsite in Georgetown
48. Taylor ball fields, round rock ball fields, Huber ranch,
49. Park by Sam bass theater or Pflugerville park for tree coverage. Old settlers for wildflowers. Skate park at the Pflugerville municipal park. Georgetown for hiking. Several Austin parks for natural swimming/wading areas
50. Rabb All Abilities Park
51. Off road trails
52. Pflugerville parks system
53. Round Rock baseball
54. Round Rock
55. Austin
56. Clay Madsen Rec Center, Lake Pflugerville, Boat Fishing Lakes
57. Serenity of lake or water & trees to sit by.
58. Barton creek, old settlers.
59. Old Settlers Park
60. Crusty Creek off road trails, tennis courts, volleyball, swimming
61. Old settlers
62. Old settlers round rock pools
63. Granger Lake for camping, Bastrop State park for camping, Brushy Creek Trail Park, hiking and water play
64. Rabb park
65. Rabb Park, Brushy Creek: we use shady trails to walk the dogs.
66. I walk in neighborhoods next to Lakeside Estates that have sidewalks
67. Round rock
68. Pfluger park \* All Abilities Park (Raab house) \* Old Settlers Park \* Katherine Fleishman Park
69. Play for all abilities park, Old Settlers Park, Pflugerville Parks
70. Town Lake for the hike and bike trail. Southwest Williamson County Regional Park for the quarry splash pad. Round Rock play for all abilities park for the kids playscapes. Old settlers park for the hike and bike trails.
71. Old Settlers, San Gabriel Park and Lady Bird Lake Trail
72. Rabbi park round rock
73. YMCA
74. Swimming in Pflugerville
75. Berry Springs
76. Round Rock
77. Williamson County Reg., Walnut Creek, off road trails, gravel trails, biking, swimming
78. All abilities park in RR, wilco quarry splash pad, falcon pointe splash pad, berry springs park
79. Round rock.
80. Murphy Park, Capital Gymnastics
81. RR parks
82. Old Settlers, Round Rock All Abilities Playground

83. Round Rock
84. Park next to dell diamond
85. Old Setter's, Southern Walnut Creek Trails, Austin Velloway, Brushy Creek Trails, P'ville,(all for running & cycling)
86. Chasco YMCA - swimming, Georgetown/Round Rock - off road trails, Zilker Park - SUP
87. Brushy Creek Trail in Round Rock, Georgetown San Gabriel River, Austin Walnut Creek
88. Old settlers / and Georgetown
89. Old Settler's Park (Paved trails) and Brush Creek Regional Trail
90. S an Gabriel park, Brushy Creek Park, Williamson County Park; Lake Georgetown
91. Old Settlers Park
92. Old Settlers Park, Taylor Regional Park, North East Metro Park
93. YMCA
94. Old settlers or Zilker
95. Old settlers
96. Pflugerville , round rock
97. Round Rock
98. Round Rock or Pflugerville
99. San Gabriel Park Georgetown,Tx
100. Pflugerville, Round Rock, Georgetown
101. Various hiking trails in Austin, Old Settlers Park in Round Rock, Scott Mentzer Pool in Pflugerville,
102. Round rock baseball fields
103. Old Settlers Park, Brushy Creek Trail East, RR skate park, Pflugerville pools
104. Old settlers park,wells branch park
105. Swimming
106. Zilker Park, Old Settlers
107. Old settlers park
108. Float San Marcos river
109. All Abilities Park, Falcon Point Splash Pad, Pfluger Park, Scott Metzer Pool, Zilker Botanical Gardens
110. Georgetown hiking and dog park
111. Pflugerville skate park, Round Rock dog park
112. Pflugerville pool, rockin river
113. Old settlers park for soccer
114. Pflugerville
115. Old Settlers, Play for All Abilities
116. Round rock YMCA, Texans soccer fields in Pflugerville, old settlers, Terevista, Mueller park
117. Taylor, Pflugerville
118. Round Rock
119. YMCA
120. Round Rock
121. Swimming pools of around Rock and Pflugerville
122. Georgetown trails
123. Old settlers
124. Pflugerville Lake, Northeast Metropolitan Park Pflugerville and Berry Springs park in Georgetown
125. Pfluger park / all abilities park RR / Old settlers
126. Round rock
127. Lake

128. All Abilities Park, Old Settlers Park, Brushy Creek Park
129. Round Rock
130. Round rock
131. Pflugerville & Round Rock trails & splash pads
132. Round Rock, Pflugerville for City owned swimming pools
133. Round Rock
134. Round Rock Baseball, Softball fields off of N. Lamar
135. Back yard
136. Old Settlers in RR; Pfluger Park kids playscape; tennis courts in RR; softball, hiking, and biking at Walnut Creek in Austin.
137. Barton Springs
138. Pflugerville
139. Old settlers lake, blue Hole (Georgetown)
140. San Gabriel Park, Old Settlers Park, Zilker Park, state or corps of engineer parks
141. Round Rock
142. Walnut creek
143. Baseball & Softball fields at Taylor Regional Park, Old Settler's Park, Pflugerville NE Metro Park. Tennis at Old Settler's Park.
144. Round rock
145. Northeast Metro Skate park, Pflugerville Park and the Pflugerville pool
146. Old settlers in Round Rock
147. Pflugerville lake/running, old settlers tennis courts, etc
148. Austin
149. Austin
150. Falcon Pointe splash pad. Pflugerville
151. Lady Bird Lake
152. Off road trails, swimming
153. Round Rock: Old Settlers Park, Clay Madsen, Dog Park, Skate Park
154. Old Settlers Park, Round Rock Dog Depot,
155. Georgetown, offroad trails, east Austin and Bee Cave
156. Pflugerville
157. Round Rock, Pflugerville-Baseball, tennis
158. Old Settlers Park, Chasco YMCA
159. Round rock dog park Williamson county splash pad
160. Old settlers park tennis courts, wells branch disc golf, Georgetown lake hike trails
161. Round rock dog depot, cedar bark, north east metro
162. Pfluger Park - Pflugerville
163. Cedar park -brushy creek, ww2
164. Lake pflugerville-swimming, Georgetown dog park-dog use
165. Volleyball, old Settlers
166. Old Settlers Park, Lake Pflugerville, Play for All Abilities, Lake Creek Municipal, Brushy Creek Lake (tennis, bike/skate trails, swimming, playground, events)
167. Zilker, Pflugerville
168. Round rock: old settlers/play for all abilities
169. Berry Springs Park
170. Old Settlers, All Abilities, Dog park in RR
171. No where. I would actively campaign against further development at this time.

172. Rockin R Round rock, Old Settlers Park,
173. Brushy creek lake park
174. Pflugerville. Round rock. Old settlers
175. Walnut creek park for mountain biking and hiking trails, Barton creek greenbelt for hiking trails and swimming hole, Georgetown park for bike riding
176. Northeast Metro, Old Settlers Park, Wilco Regional
177. Round Rock & Pflugerville
178. City of Austin, Ann and Roy Butler Hike-and-Bike Trail and Boardwalk at Lady Bird Lake
179. Varies - swimming and enrichment classes
180. Pflugerville to the All Abilities Park....it is AMAZING!
181. We don't
182. Old Settlers and Brushy Creek Extension Trail -- Trail Use
183. RR bark park, lake Pflugerville (walking)Georgetown off road trails
184. All abilities Park, Old Settlers, trails-off road!
185. N/A
186. Pflugerville Lake park, brushy creek park, bohls park-YMCA
187. Old Settlers
188. Public swimming pools, veterans park in cedar park is our favorite
189. Old settlers park , Pflugerville lake
190. Safe Walking trails - old settlers park
191. Play for all abilities
192. Round Rock
193. Rabb Park, Old Settlers Park, San Gabriel Park, Quarry Splash Pad
194. Granger lake, off road trails
195. State parks , camping
196. None
197. Round Rock - Old Settlers and All Abilities
198. NEMP. Soccer field, walking trail
199. Play for All Abilities in RR, Old Settlers Park in RR both for the play equipment they offer.
200. Dog parks
201. Skate park, swimming pool
202. Old settlers and NEMP for soccer
203. Zilker, Wilco park, brushy creek
204. Pville lake, bushy creek
205. North East Metro Park soccer; Pflugerville Lake water sport
206. Round Rock, Austin, Cedar Park, Georgetown / Old Settlers Park, Zilker and more, Veterans, San Gabriel and dog parks / soccer, football, baseball, softball, dog parks, swimming Rock N River, splash pad (county park)



**11) What is the single most important issue or need concerning City of Hutto parks or recreation programs? (Write in any comments.)**

1. More communication
2. Swimming, splash pad, slides, swings, running trails or track
3. Public Swimming pool
4. That taxpayers don't fund them, they are funded by users
5. Inclusion Parks
6. Hutto Lake Park should have a huge play scape it would bring way more people out. People feel sorry for kids when they see what's available. Hutto should have spent less on planning and more on the actual park. I was happy about the park then very disappointed with the result.
7. Additional play areas for younger children accessible to neighborhoods by walking paths.
8. Need swings for younger kids/babies to play
9. Trials and splash pads
10. We need an outdoor swimming pool
11. Safety and availability, both of which are great in Hutto.
12. Increase in children's programs and shaded parks
13. Swimmable lake
14. Don't know
15. Need dog park
16. Safety and protecting from vandalism
17. Maintenance
18. Need additional hike and bike trails going north. Need a public pool.
19. Shading
20. Need different location for camp activities, need park with pool and tennis courts
21. Athletic facilities
22. Promote and support sports in general.
23. Skate park bike pump track
24. Test
25. I haven't seen any swing sets in any parks. Seems silly to not have any. My kids love them and we have to leave town of we want to find them
26. We need bike trails throughout the city. Living in area C I can not take my bike down to down town or to the park safely down 1660. There is a new bike rack at the library but I still have to drive there even though I live close enough to bike it because I don't feel safe riding down 1660 through the Limmer Loop intersection towards downtown. We could also use a nicer bigger splash pad. The little one at Glenwood is much too small. You get a few kids in there and it becomes hazardous very quickly.
27. Affordability of summer programs
28. More ball fields, play space for kids
29. Community pool
30. Sporting facilities
31. Need a public swimming pool and sports complex
32. More trails
33. More Hike and Bike trails
34. Need a field big enough for sport leagues to use, football and soccer, that doesn't belong to a school. Also if we could get a running or bike trail that's connects to each park throughout the city. And if we could start an adult soccer league.

35. Bathrooms with sinks for hand washing
36. Parking at soccer fields is awful. Should be paved
37. Kid friendly, clean, no drugs
38. Vandalism in the parks
39. Public swimming pool in Creekside park
40. Need to make appealing
41. We need a water park to bring the kids to.
42. Preventing vandalism
43. Lack of youth fields
44. The way the parks staff treats people, communicates/interacts with people, the poor conditions/upkeep of rest rooms and facilities
45. Access and ease of locations near the house with out having to travel by car on a good day and some locations could use better parking
46. The entire trail needs to be lit.
47. Developing Creekside Park. So much potential there. And petty crime is going to get worse if the subdivision and park is not improved - nobody wants this, especially so close to the center/entrance of the city.
48. We need more ball fields.
49. Communication to people who live in Hutto on what's available in a news letter. Print is not dead.
50. You need a sports complex built on land you already own. The reason it failed in the past is because you wanted more land. Build it on land we have.
51. More picturesque park areas. My kids would say swings.
52. Hutto Lake Park is awful for kids. The playground needs items kids can actually play on. The Flintstone look is different and all natural looking, but there isn't anything practical to play on..
53. Last recreation center that has minimal fees unlike the YMCA that the city helped fund
54. Long term commitment from city,county and community for city to run baseball
55. That you are considering raising taxes. Keep that crap up and you won't have citizens to serve
56. Public swimming pools. There are only a few places with pools and they aren't available to the public.
57. Wasteful spending on pet projects (YMCA) would have been MUCH better as a nice rec center (~\$3M) and run through our more than capable Parks Dept. would allow ALL citizens to use a facility THEY PAID FOR.
58. Families need places of serenity, interaction & relaxation, not stimulation.
59. Specific trails that are safe for pets and families with easy access to neighborhoods
60. Safety
61. Funding for expansion of existing parks and creation of new parks
62. Need amazing green spaces with parks and trails, tranquil parks needed
63. Local pool
64. Better playground at Hutto lake
65. Better playground equipment for kids
66. Need a indoor recreational area
67. Shaded areas with trails to walk seem to be very limited here. There are sidewalks that go through neighborhoods but they aren't shady or nature friendly.
68. Shaded trails
69. Decent playscapes for all ages. Hutto Lake Park would be awesome if there were swings and toddler playscapes
70. Not enough playgrounds- no swings, too few bike trails
71. Lack of extensive trails through natural landscape.

72. More safe walking trails connecting to schools and neighborhoods
73. Cleanliness and upkeep, particularly in neighborhood parks
74. Soccer Program
75. A city run community pool not in a subdivision
76. More trails with exercise stations
77. Sports complex for soccer, baseball, etc.
78. Sports facilities
79. Pool
80. More maintenance of lawn/structure.
81. Ball fields!!
82. Regular Maintenance/ Clean Rest rooms
83. More sports facilities
84. Facilities, not just out doors!
85. More actual "trails" instead of paved "paths"
86. More extensive trail system (Brushy Creek)
87. We need more connected trails and more tree coverage. Asphalt or gravel trails would also be nice to have instead of concrete trails. I also think the Hwy 79 overpass should be well-lit underneath for pedestrians and bikes that use the Cottonwood Trail.
88. More sports fields
89. More Facilities: Multi-Sports Complex; Community Center
90. Not enough selection
91. We need our own upgraded sports fields
92. Should be more workout stuff
93. We need sidewalk access from neighborhoods in the north.
94. Sidewalks are needed to access the parks on the North Side.
95. Need community pool, offer swim lessons, splash pad, etc
96. Availability
97. Parks - We need more multi-use parks with trails - Not just playscape
98. Need better baseball/ football fields.
99. A consistent trail system that can be used by runners, cyclists, walkers, children to connect to destination parks like Hutto lake
100. We need a nicer bigger park that has playgrounds for children to play
101. Swimming
102. Sports complex
103. Sports complex
104. Hutto has ample parks for the current population.
105. City swimming pool, skate park
106. Dog park
107. Dog park and skate park
108. Water
109. Centralized youth athletic fields
110. Safety
111. Need a city pool. Lots of kids don't live in neighborhoods with pools.
112. More soccer fields needed with better parking
113. Lack of facilities
114. Youth recreation programs
115. A rec center and pool owned and operated by the CITY OF HUTTO
116. Lack of trees that provide a better atmosphere

117. Upgrade Football/Baseball fields at Fritz Park -- Space for practice
118. No enough sports facilities for youth (football fields, Soccer, baseball)
119. New soccer field for hysa... new parking area
120. Soccer
121. Public outdoor swimming pool
122. Soccer & Baseball fields
123. Baseball fields
124. Trails - current trail runs by sewer plant & the odor is awful!
125. An outdoor CITY OWNED and OPERATED multi use swimming pool. Multiple lap lanes for swim teams and shallow play area for young kids.
126. The lack of not having recreation center.
127. Expanded youth and senior facilities (including indoor options)
128. Not keeping teenagers in mind and giving them some where to go and a way to get there (lack of side walks).
129. More amenities within existing parks. More trails; more things to do (like tennis courts); more small places to sit, spaced out.
130. Trails
131. A public outdoor swimming facility would be great
132. Greater variety of parks that preserve natural land so that families can experience nature. Hiking, biking trails, camping, etc.
133. Getting rid of the YMCA
134. More recreation items
135. We need a single site with many baseball/softball fields and quality concessions / rest rooms. I don't know much about our facilities for other sports (soccer, football, etc.)
136. Affordable rec center for families and an outdoor pool
137. Amenities
138. Increase public safety
139. Size, activities available
140. Biking trails, dog park
141. More events and advertisements. I did not know of some of the parks mentioned in this survey
142. Walking trails along brushy creek
143. An affordable rec center-YMCA is priced TOO high for families
144. Lack of baseball/softball/multi-purpose fields
145. Swings, Mountain Bike Trails
146. I believe the needs have been meet as of now. We need to concentrate on other priorities within the city now
147. Good baseball Facility-not enough space
148. The city of Hutto needs a sports complex similar to Old Settler's Park or the Park off of Pecan St. in Pflugerville that can host multiple baseball, softball, soccer, etc events. 1 baseball field and 2 softball fields are not enough for Hutto.
149. Athletic competition fields
150. Lack of facilities available to public, specifically promoting wellness. Tennis courts would be a great start!
151. Dog park!
152. Money to pay for the park
153. Swimming
154. Sport/Swim Facilities

155. No swimming
156. Teen programs
157. Not enough for small children (playscapes, splash pad, etc)
158. Improvements. I would really like to see a playground (swing, slide, etc) at Hutto lake park and another fishing dock.
159. Need for sports fields
160. Family activities, safe place for kids, outdoor recreation
161. Activities to do at parks, swings, tennis courts
162. The department is too big for the city size and we need to take care of basic foundation services first
163. An area that can support our youth and possibly revenue producing to (tournaments, Soccer, soft ball, baseball) to pay for upkeep of parks
164. Accessible trails
165. Developing a connection throughout the community via a trail system, ideally this would connect to Round Rock, Georgetown, and Pflugerville down the road. The brushy creek trail project should be an extremely high priority for recreational and transportation uses.
166. Sports Fields - Soccer
167. Bike trails
168. Park maintenance and upkeep
169. Extensive trail system that CONNECTS the parks together. This includes the waterfront trail system on Brushy Creek that has yet to be developed.
170. Enrichment programs and classes
171. Bike racks, bike lanes on major roads
172. We have children with special needs, what type of equipment do you have for those children?  
None.
173. Accessible to all ages. Facilities (water fountain, rest room)
174. More Trails Needed with More Variety
175. A Dog Park
176. More youth fields needed sooner than later
177. Uniqueness
178. Public swimming pool and dog park
179. Longer loop trails without streets intersections
180. Community meeting space for new programs
181. Upkeep of parks
182. A way to get there other than car
183. Pool
184. More Shade, better play areas for multiple ages and abilities of children, more Police presence, city pool with beach/toddler area, shade, picnic tables etc... Connect the walking trails so we can bike/walk around the entire city.
185. Sports , baseball, football, soccer, skate park , BMX park
186. Creekside needs work
187. Better play-type of equipment/activities and more splash pads
188. Athletic fields, competitive pool
189. I feel like Fritz Park and Creekside Park need improvement to the play equipment offered as well as seating options. It would also be nice if the grassy areas were better maintained.
190. Handicapped access, bad side walks
191. Building community activities

192. Make the trails more dog friendly by adding trash cans along the routes. Also the “mile markers” would have been great new additions to the trail; however, they are useless unless you go on line and look at the mileage map online. It would have been nice if they included a map to indicate where the trail is actually considered to begin.
193. Sports complex
194. Paved parking lot for Creekside Park.
195. More run/bike paths
196. Youth sports facilities
197. Need for more youth sports fields